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Germany Firm on Its Role

But Bonn Won't Seek a Seat on Security Council

By John Tagliabue

New York Times Service
BERLIN — Chancellor Helmut Kohl sought Friday to disarm charges of a fresh assertiveness on the part of reunited Germany, arguing that as Europe's leading eco-nomic power it must shoulder fresh responsibilities, particularly to-

The Bundesbank rejected calls for action to spur growth. Page 9.

ward its new neighbors in Eastern

But as if to underscore the assertion, he dismissed suggestions that Bonn would seek changes in the United Nations structure allowing it a permanent Security Council

The remarks come at a time of growing disculet over the aggressive style of German policy.

On Tuesday, Mr. Kohl's close European ally, President François

Mitterrand of France, chided Germany for offending the spirit of European unity by its vigorous championship in December of recognition for the breakaway Yugoslav republics of Slovenia and Croatia, and by raising interest rates in a display of financial power and political independence that put pressure on Britain, France and Italy. American officials have expressed similar reservations.

Since Germany reunified two years ago, Mr. Kohl has been at pains to emphasize Germany's continued commitment to its Atlantic allies and to deepening European economic and political unity. But the chancellor declared that the "new Germany" could not overlook that it "plays a strong part in the fate of others."

But in seeking to disarm his crit-ics, Mr. Kohl at times appeared to display the kind of righteousness that prompled the criticism of Germany in the first place.

At a news conference in Bonn that addressed the full range of domestic and loreign policy issues, Mr. Kohl cited Germany's financial and humanitarian aid for East European countries, most notably the old Soviet Union. He suggested that this newly expanded role stemmed from remnited Germany's size as a nation of nearly 80 million people and its position as No. 1 in

Mr. Kohl has sought to disarm See KOHL, Page 5

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Bush Defends His Trip To Japan as a Success

Home, He Finds It Helped 'Level Unemployment Playing Field,' At a 5-Year High President Says

By Lawrence Malkin

NEW YORK — The politically sensitive unemployment rate hit a five-and-a-half year high of 7.1 percent in December, the Labor Department reported Friday, but the number of people with jobs rose across the

Opinions differed whether the monthly rise of 31,000 jobs represented a bottoming out of unemployment, or only an anomaly because of a surprising gain of 66,000 in government employment. The positive figure was far from enough to recoup November's huge payroll loss of 265,000, but it was still a vast

The 7.1 percent unemployment rate, up from 6.9 percent in November, was the highest since the recession began in July 1990.

Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, told Congress, meanwhile, that the economy had "stalled" and was flat, but he hoped the central bank's aggressive cuts in interest rates "should show fruit" and revive the economy. Under intense questioning by Democratic senators, he refused to commit the Fed to another rate cut. But when asked if the Fed would ease if the economy turned down again, he said, "I assume we would, of course."

In his prepared remarks for delivery to a joint hearing of the banking and budget committees, he said, "We will continue to monitor the situation carefully and stand ready to take steps necessary to foster sustainable growth.

Financial markets adopted a could-be-worse atti-

tude about the unemployment figures.
"They were looking for unusually bad data and were disappointed," said Michael Drury of Boston Co. Economic Advisers.

Stocks drifted lower in choppy trading. Bonds lost ghtly on the realization that the Federal Reserve was unlikely to ease rates again on the basis of equivocal

After Thursday's sudden and still inexplicable jump of 5 plennig, the dollar gained another 2 plennig on the employment data. But dealers still regarded the currency as fundamentally weak, especially in an elec-See JOBS, Page 10

WASHINGTON - President George Bush returned home Friday insisting that his Asian crusade for economic revival had been a success, but he met a chorus of doubt and a burst of bad news that U.S.

unemployment had suddenly jumped.

Standing on the tarmac at Andrews Air Force Base at the end of a 12-day trip, the president declared that his conference in Japan had "reaffirmed our vital political, security and economic relationship.

"It has advanced our goal of leveling the playing field in the U.S.-Japan competition of further opening Japan's markets to our exports," he said.

This visit has been a success," he stated "Make no mistake about it," Mr. Bush added, "our progress this week will translate into Jobs and economopportunity. The results will be clear and measur-

His work was cut out for him. By the time his plane

A graphic videotape, yet to be broadcast, exists of President George Bush's collapse, Page 3.

set down, the Labor Department was reporting that the U.S. unemployment rate had risen to 7.1 percent of the labor force from 6.9 percent — the highest level in

In a partial concession to the widespread opinion that the trip had been a waste, the president acknowledged, "We might have achieved more."

For the editorial pages of such newspapers as The

New York Times and The Washington Post, that was an understatement.

"Personal diplomacy is one of George Bush's great strengths as president." The Times said. "Car sales-manship is not. His three-and-a-half-day visit to Japan, interrupted by a frightening bout of stomach flu. was a fiasco."

The Post said: "Mr. Bush is usually at his best in the international setting. But the trip to Asia, meaning mainly the climactic visit to Japan, was awkward and, by the standard that the president himself allowed to

Mr. Bush covered about 12,000 miles (19,000 kilo-See BUSH, Page 3

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IRA Blast Near Downing Street Rattles the British

A police investigator blocking off the area where an Irish Republican Army bomb exploded Friday in London. The bomb, which caused damage but no injuries, went off near the Defense Ministry and the offices of Prime Minister John Major. The recent wave of IRA bombings has shaken public confidence in the British government's ability to halt the attacks. Page 2.

Navy Chief Says Ukraine Presses Sailors

By Michael Dobbs

Washington Post Service MOSCOW - The commander in chief of the former Soviet Navy accused Ukraine on Friday of organizing an "economic blockade" of the Black Sea Fleet to pressure 70,000 sailors into

swearing an oath of allegiance to Kiev.
The comments by Admiral Vladimir Chemavin are the latest shot in the weeklong feud between Moscow and Kiev over the status of the 350-ship navy based at the Crimean port of Sevastopol, the former Soviet Union's most important warm-water naval harbor. Both Russia and Ukraine have claimed the

night to control the fleet, which was founded by Russia in the time of Catherine the Great but is now based in Ukramian waters. The dispute over the fleet's status reflects the political strains emerging within the 11-nation Commonwealth of Independent States, which was formed last month as the successor to the

At a meeting in Moscow on Friday, Commonwealth foreign ministers sought to find a formula that would be satisfactory to both Russia and Ukraine, but little significant progress was reported.

Ukraine underlined its determination to go its own way economically by issuing coupons to Soviet Navy controls 35 percent of the strategic critics by insisting that Germany's all Ukrainian citizens Friday as an intermediate nuclear weapons stocks, but all of them are

coupons, which have already soared on the black market to five or six times their face value, can be used to buy scarce goods unob-tainable for rubles.

At a news conference in Moscow, Admiral Chernavin accused Ukraine of refusing to issue coupons to members of the Black Sea Fleet who have not taken the oath of allegiance to Ukraine. He said Ukraine was trying to exploit the unfavorable economic situation to win the

Chency fears disputes between republics over the former Soviet nuclear inventory. Page 5.

allegiance of the sailors. Only 30 percent of them are Ukrainian Russia and Ukraine are insisting on widely

different interpretations of a Dec. 30 agreement reached in Minsk that allows former Soviet republics to set up their own armies but maintains unified control over "strategic forces."

Russian leaders have described the entire Black Sea fleet as a "strategic force," saying it has a worldwide reach and serves the interests of all members of the Commonwealth. Ukrainian officials say that the term "strategic" applies

only to long-range nuclear weapons.
According to Admiral Chemavin, the former step toward introducing its own currency. The stationed in the Northern fleet based in Mur-

mansk or the Pacific fleet in Vladivostok. The admiral said that ships of the Black Sea Fleet carry short-range tactical nuclear weapons, which Ukraine is planning to remove by July.

The dispute over the fleet has become an emotional political issue in both Russia and Ukraine. The Ukrainian president, Leonid M. Kravchuk, has described Ukraine as a great sea power, a claim ridiculed by President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia. Mr. Yeltsin told workers Thursday that the Black Sea fleet "was, is, and will continue to be Russian.

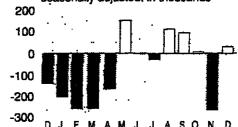
The Russian and Ukrainian foreign ministers sought to take the heat out of the issue Friday, raising the possibility that the fleet will eventually he divided between the two republics. Mr. Kravchuk has effectively put the feud on hold by saying that Ukraine would agree to put the fleet under the control of the Commonwealth until all nuclear weapons are removed.

In another assertion of Ukrainian rights, Mr. Kravchuk told a visiting U.S. congressman, Les Aspin, the Wisconsin Democrat who heads the House Armed Services Committee, that a communications system would soon be in place that would allow him to block any attempt to launch nuclear weapons from any point in the former Soviet Union. Russian officials maintain that the system will only allow Mr. Kravchuk to block the launching of missiles based on Ukrai-

New Heights for Unemployment Monthly U.S. unemployment rate



Monthly additions to nonfarm payrolls. seasonally adjusted, in thousands 200



Kiosk

Traders signaling orders on the Tokyo stock exchange Friday,

when the Nikkei average plunged 3.17 percent amid signs that

Mideast Talks

WASHINGTON (Reuters) -Israeli and Arab negotiators were expected to resume Middle East peace talks on Sunday, with both sides expressing optimism they would be able to solve a procedural dispute and move on to issues of substance. U.S. officials said Friday that

Seen for Sunday

the chief Israeli, Jordanian and Palestinian negotiators had spoken by telephone and agreed in principle to meet Sunday at the State Department. They were working out final details. It was not immediately clear

whether two separate negotiations matching Israel with Syria and with Lebanon would also reconvene on Sunday or wait until Monday.

General News Serbs split on UN plan to station peacekeeping force. Page 2. Cystic fibrosis tests hold promise for disease. In Ethiopia, fears are growing that the country may go the way of Yugoslavia.

Hong Kong's Museum of Art raises hackles as it opens with a show of French works. Page 6. Business/Finance Russia is seeking more time to

pay the interest on its foreign debt. Divergence between U.S. and German economic policies may not be such a bad thing. Page 9.

Industry analysts are bullish on airline stocks despite the mixed fortunes of the business during Pages 14-15. the last year.

Page 2. The Dollar 3,199.46 DM 1.5845 ुरु 3,199.46 🐺 ुं Down 🔆 Pound 1.7885 10.07 127,10 Yen volatility would cominue and perhaps even increase. Page. 9. 5.4075

Fortune (as in Wealth) Smiles on a Chinese Village By Sheryl WuDunn

New York Times Service
DAQIUZHUANG, China Yang Yanru, a middle-aged woman who keeps her 11-room house spotless, could have been standing on a typical street in an affluent American suburb, bidding her guests goodbye after a luncheon.

Except for her crooked teeth, and a collar that suggested her man-tailored shirt was made in the 1960s, there was little to suggest that Mrs. Yang was once a peasant who got her eggs from the chicken coop in the back-

Now she is one of China's nouveaux riches, a woman who says she does not have to hold down a job because her husband makes so much money. She can spend her after-noons entertaining visitors, she said, or play-

ing mah-jongg with friends.

About 70 kilometers (45 miles) down a narrow, bumpy road from the city of Tianjin, Dagiuzhuang has earned a reputation as a

Factories here operate 24 hours a day. seven days a week, paying salaries of \$800 to \$900 a year to most village residents. Most of the rest of the money is plowed back into businesses or is spent on communal projects or benefits for bosses and model workers.

"Even in my dreams, I never thought life could be so good," said Mrs. Yang, who knits when she is not watching one of her three color televisions or talking on one of her two telephones. "Nowadays, we don't miss a thing. We even go to Beijing, sometimes."

This town of 4,400 people has 13 Mercedes-Benzes and nearly 140 other luxury cars imported from Japan and elsewhere. In 1990, Daqiuzhuang's per capita income was \$3,400, 10 times China's national average; last year, officials say, it soared even higher, to an estimated \$8,400.

The village runs the factories that make

village that got rich through a strange blend of communism and capitalism. the money — 226 enterprises in all. Factory managers receive a share of profits in addimanagers receive a share of profits in addi-tion to their salaries, and their incomes can be enormous.

In 1990, the last year for which figures are fully calculated, Mrs. Yang's husband, who manages a construction business, was entitled to \$9.300, though she said he took only a part of that and returned the rest to the enterprise.

No Daquizhuang citizen pays a cent for housing, electricity, hot water, gas, medical care or the 11 years of education to which every child is entitled. The village also invests about \$3.7 million a year in building houses and apartment buildings for its 1,300

If an employee is rewarded as a model worker, as Mrs. Yang's husband was, he receives one of 300 furnished, nicely painted two-story brick houses. Even the nation's cabinet ministers in Beijing do not live in such modern, comfortable homes.

"Here we have reached the perfect form of socialism: communism," said Sun Guiqiu, a senior official in the village.
But capitalism seems to be the major fac-

tor in the village's business success. Factories keep careful track of costs, pay their employees by piece rate and use complex systems of incentives to increase production. Despite detailed questioning, officials

never made it clear just how their village had managed do so much better than others. Perhaps there are further secrets here, or special benefits conferred by higher authori-One factor that surely helped is that Da-

qiuzhuang started earlier than most. More than a dozen years ago, the village established its first enterprise, a mill that processed rolled steel, and began selling the steel across the country.
Unlike most villages, which have a Com-

munist Party secretary as well as a village See CHINESE, Page 5

Quayles: Who's in Charge? She's Only Vice President's 'Eyes and Ears,' Wife Says paign because Dan was 100 his staff and his chief political weak" or that she was some sort adviser. By Bob Woodward



Marilyn Quayle and the vice president talk often during the day. "If I want to get shold of him for anything, I'll call him."

and David S. Broder Washington Post Service WASHINGTON - By the lous," she said.

spring of 1989, about four months after Dan Quayle took office as vice president, reports were so widespread that his wife. Marilyn, was the dominant, smarter partner in the Quayle twosome that she banished herself from her busband's offices in the White House and in the Old Executive Office Building next

"I can't help him now," she told a friend over hunch. Mrs. Quayle, the friend said, "was at her wits' end" as news reports portrayed Mr. Quayle as not up to the job. "Her husband was being

pounded into the ground and she knew she had to back away," the friend said. "The more she helped, the worse it got."

Mrs. Quayle recalled, "It be-

came apparent that enough of a myth had been drawn up that it was detrimental." The myth, she said, was that she "ran the camof "magic manipulator" of her husband, "Unfair and ridicu-Her exile from his offices last-

ed only until attention shifted away. By early last year, she had moved into a six-office suite in the Old Executive Office Build-

Sixth in a series

ing - twice the size of that occupied by Barbara Bush when George Bush was vice president - just across the hall from the vice presidential office.

The proximity makes for more involvement, she said. The Quayles talk "three or four times a day," and always have, "Our relationship is such that if I want to get ahold of him for anything. l'll call him."

"He had them put in a drop line so that he can just push a button and he's got me if I'm in my office," she said, "as I will do with him."

Once again, she said, she is her husband's "eyes and ears" with

Marilyn Tucker Quayle described herself as part of a new generation of political spouses who have "a professional role as opposed to kind of backdoor."

It is a role she has thrown herself into wholeheartedly — at times in a way that has infuriated and outraged those she has encountered along the way. One of Mr. Quayle's closest associates calls her the "hard half" of the Quayle partnership. Political colleagues of her husband's described their surprise, and sometimes pained amusement, at her involvement as his more disci-

plined, professional alter ego. Despite criticism and frustration, retreat is not her style. Her approach to her favorite recreation — horseback riding — pro-vides an apt metaphor. "I ride hard, I ride fast," she said. "There is no room for error. And if there is error, you hurt yourself very bad."

In no role is Mrs. Quayle more

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London IRA Blast Saps Confidence On Halting Attacks

By Craig R. Whitney

LONDON - An Insh Republican Army bomb, the latest in a wave that has undermined public confidence in the effectiveness of anti-terrorist measures in England and Northern Ireland, blew up in the heart of the British government quarter Friday, disrupting traffic

but causing no injuries.

The explosion caused outrage, in part because it exposed the government's inability, even in central London, to suppress a militant underground paramilitary organization opposed to the British presence in Northern Ireland after more than 20 years of military and police measures that have cost billions of dollars.

The bomb was a mere five pounds (2.2 kilograms) of explosive hidden in a brown leather briefcase between two parked cars. But it went off just down the street from the Defense Ministry, and came on top of six weeks of incendiary bombings and other blasts that have disrupted the routines of hundreds of thousands of shoppers. commuters and office workers. Subway stations have been closed. trains canceled and stores shut by bomb scares.

The situation is far worse in Belfast, the capital of Northern Ireland, where five IRA car bombs, the last two involving an estimated 500 pounds of high explosive apiece, have devastated the city center over the last six weeks. Another car bomb heavily dam-

aged a police headquarters in Lon-

donderry early Friday. The IRA's latest bombing campaign follows an upsurge in sectari-an killings in Northern Ireland last summer and fall by both Protestant- and Catholic-affiliated groups. The IRA, which has vowed to intensify its campaign to drive the British out of Northern Ireland, draws its support mainly from a disaffected minority in workingclass Catholic communities that have suffered for years from discrimination at the hands of the Protestant majority.

The IRA telephoned a warning Friday to the London bureau of CBS at 8:38 A.M., half an hour before the bomb went off on Whitehall Place, only 200 feet 160 meters) from where the same group launched a mortar attack against Prime Minister John Major's offices at 10 Downing Street on Feb.

The desk editor who took the call, Adrian Monck, reported it to Scotland Yard. Police had evacuated most of the office buildings and the nearby Royal Horseguards Hotel, and had located the bomb and were preparing to try to defuse it when it exploded at 9:10, with a roar heard all over the city.

In a statement released later in Dublin, the IRA said the bombing was intended to make British rule in Northern freland an issue in this year's national elections. The Assodated Press reported.)

Under pressure to do something about the wave of bombings, particularly from the Protestant political community in Northern Ireland, the government called up a thousand reservists from the 6,100strong part-time Ulster Defense Reciment on Thursday and put them on the streets of Belfast to check traffic bound for the center of the cuy.

But many doubted that this

similar call-up in November, after a spate of tit-for-tat assassinations, Those extra troops went back to regular reserve duties at Christmas.

Last Monday, the IRA commandecred a van and a post office truck and set off two huge explosions in the city, damaging the 13-story River House where some govern-ment offices are located and showering entire blocks with shards of glass and other debris. Again because of advance warning, there were no serious injuries.

Before Christmas, another bomb caused major damage to Belfast's opera house and to the Europa Hotel, which even in normal times resembled a billet in wartime Saigon, surrounded by harricades and barbed wire.

Despite the bombs, comparisons with the height of the violence in 1972 are misleading. Ninety-four people were killed in terrorist incidents in Northern Ireland last year. including 19 members of the security forces. In 1972, the total was 467, including 146 reserve and regular soldiers and police.

"The people of Belfast have not wavered, have not weakened, have not changed their determination, and neither will we." Prime Minister Major said Friday.

He called instead for a resump tion of peace talks among all the Northern Irish political groups except the Sinn Fein party that supports the IRA. Northern Ireland



Secretary Peter Brooke hopes to get the talks resumed later this month.

Croatian refugee women embroidering a tablectoth on Friday in the besieged town of Klanjec.

Dispute Is Likely on Maxwell Insurance

LONDON - A preliminary report from a second autopsy on Robert Maxwell reached no conclusion about the cause of his death, an insurer said Friday.

The lack of a conclusion increases the likelihood of a dispute over the publisher's \$36 million insurance policy.

The report surfaced as one of the British pathologists who conducted the second autopsy on Mr. Maxwell disputed a French magazine report that that autopsy showed numerous bruises, indicating the publisher was probably beaten before his death.

The Spanish coroner who carried out the first autopsy also rejected reports that the second postmortem found signs of beating.

Israeli police are investigating how the magazine obtained the videotape of the second autopsy. which was done in Jerusalem. The weekly Paris-Match pub-

lished photographs and conversations taken from a videotape made during the autopsy on Nov. 9, the eve of Mr. Maxwell's burial in Jerurequested by the family and British insurance companies, was perand two British pathologists.

Since Mr. Maxwell was found ruled out foul play. floating in the sea off the Canary Islands on Nov. 5 after disappearing from his yacht, there have been widespread rumors that he committed suicide or was killed.

Jain West, one of the British pathologists, dismissed any sugges-tion that the body showed evidence of foul play. He said the "snatches" would be any more effective than a of conversation published in the tor of the Las Palmas Forensic In- onic European defense was bound

erable inaccuracies."

If Mr. Maxwell died accidentally

or was murdered, the insurers will pay, said John Fisher, claims underwriter for the lead syndicate. but not he committed suicide or died of natural causes. The burden of proof is on the Maxwell companies that took out the policy and are the beneficiaries, he said.

The preliminary report, written by Mr. West, a pathologist at Guy's Hospital in London, was being circulated among insurers Friday, Mr. "It doesn't say one thing or an-

other as to whether it was an accidental death, natural causes, suicide or homicide," Mr. Fisher said. 'I'm hoping that will be more conclusive in the final report. If it's inconclusive as well, we'll have to take stock of the situation at the

Mr. Fisher declined to provide a copy of the report, saying it was confidential. He said Mr. West's report has been held up by a delay ia getting a copy of the earlier autopsy conducted by the Spanish in

Spanish authorities said Mr. Maxwell, 68, died of natural formed in Tel Aviv by three Israeli causes, although they could not pinpoint the exact cause. They

Mr. Fisher said that if there is a If that fails, they go to the industry's insurance ombudsman. If that fails, a case can end up in court. Carlos Lopez de Lamela, direc-

magazine article included "consid- stitute, said that he rejected any blood and discoloration resulted suggestion that Mr. Maxwell had sustained injuries.

"It seems that they are talking about a different corpse," he said of the report in Paris-Match. "Nobody could miss a severe bruising."
There is always room for discrepancy on the interpretation of

an autopsy but not on the physical state of the corpse," Mr. Lopez de Lamela said. The magazine shows pictures of the body lying on a medical table. as well as close-ups of his head and face. The text quotes the doctors as they describe skin lesions on the

nose and bruises and blood stains under the skin of the face, shoulders, back, stomach and legs. At one point, a doctor is quoted as saying: "Why is there so much blood in someone who drowned? This man didn't drown."

Mr. West said, however, that the pathologists had agreed that the

from the first autopsy, performed

in Spain.
"We were saying that some of the injuries could have been caused after death," Mr. West said, "and some could have been caused durig recovery of the body."

The videotape images and text published by Paris-Match caused a stir in Paris and London. The magazine quotes several French forensic specialists who examined the videotape as saying Mr. Maxwell clearly received numerous blows before his death.

But Dr. Peter Vanezis, director of forensic medicine at Charing Cross Hospital in London, who also viewed the tape, said Paris-Match had "totally misrepresented" the autopsy conclusions.

"The only real bruise I saw was on the back of the left shoulder, which is typical of falling," he said.
(AP, NYT, Renters)

Serbs Split On UN Plan Israel Raids Guerrilla Bases, 9 Killed To Station Truce Force

BELGRADE - Militant Serbs in an enclave of Croatia vowed Friday to fight a UN plan to station peacekeeping forces on their terri-

In a statement directed at the Serbian president, Slobodan Milo-sevic, who has approved the plan, the main Serbian party in the Krajina enclave said: "No one has the right to divide the Serbian people."

Militant Serbian opposition to the UN plan occurred as the European Community said in Zagreb that it was resuming truce monitoring, which had been suspended because of the shooting down by the army of an EC monitoring helicopter Tuesday, killing five people. The Serbian Democratic Party's statement in Krajina widened the

split in the ranks of Serbs, Yugoslavia's biggest ethnic group, whose fate is linked to any peaceful settle-ment in the Balkan federation. The leader of Krajina, Milan Ba-bic, has openly defied Mr. Milose-vic by saying that UN peacekeep-ets can be deployed only on its

Krajina, a hooped strip of territory cutting into the heart of Croatia, has been designated as one of three regions where peacekeeping forces would be deployed under the

plan put forward by Cyrus R. Vance, the special UN envoy. Mr. Babic is also refusing to dis-band his Serbian militia forces as

the plan requires. In its statement, the Serbian Democratic Party that backs Mr. Babic accused Mr. Milosevic of being a crypto-Communist ready to sell out the Serbian people for per-

sonal expediency. "No one has the right to divide the Serbian people in the name of the insecure guarantees offered by Vance's plan," the statement said. "The Serbian Democratic Party is going to fight with all means against the bartering of the Serbian Kraiina for the sake of a false peace

and securing personal power."

Mr. Milosevic launched a harsh assault on Mr. Babic on Wednesday, saying that his rejection of the plan endangered the interests of the Serbian people "because it essentially means a rejection of an immediate end to loss of human life and a peaceful end to the crisis."

EC spokesmen said the Community's resumed monitoring missions would be confined only to land observer operations. The Yugoslav Army has said

that the shooting of the helicopter during a UN-brokered cease-fire was an accident caused by a mix-up in air control coordination in

WORLD BRIEFS

NAAMEH. Lebanon (AP) — Israeli planes bombed Palestinian guerilia bases in hills just south of the Lebanese capital on Friday, killing at east nine people and wounding eight, Lebanese officials said.

Elie Hnein, head of Lebanon's civil defense, said rescuers evacuated the casualties to hospitals in Beimt and Sidon, the provincial capital of the hospitals in the provincial capital of the provincial capital capi

the casualties to nospitals in January and Sidon, the provincial capital of south Lebanon. It was not known how many of them were guerrillas.

The police said two Israeli fighter-bombers attacked the installation used by the Syrian-backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-

Warsaw Won't Use Force in a Strike

WARSAW (AP) — Facing nationwide protests over steep price increases for electricity and fuel, the government said Friday that it would rather resign than use force against striking workers, but that it would not roll back the prices.

roll back the prices.

Labor Minister Jerzy Kropiwnicki said there was no possibility of reversing the decision that raised prices for electricity, gas and heating fuel by 20 percent to 100 percent. The prices took effect Jan. 1. He also said the new government would never "direct police or troops against strikers," as had often been the case during five decades of the Commu-

The Solidarity trade union has called for a nationwide warning strike Monday. The formerly Communist-allied OPZZ union and a radical splinter of Solidarity, Solidarity '80, scheduled protests for Thursday.

Britain Urges U.S. Ties With Hanoi

HANOI (Reuters) — A British Foreign Officer minister, Lord Caithness, said Friday that it was time for the United States to normalize relations with Vietnam now that a peace settlement had been reached in

He said that Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet told him earlier Friday that Washington's trade embargo was a major problem for impoverished Vietnam. Lord Caithness said that he told Mr. Kiet, "We have talked to the Americans, and we will talk to the Americans again. It is time for normal relations. The world is very much a changed place."

The United States has said that it was ready to start normalizing relations with Vietnam. but it tied the process to the success of the Cambodian peace accord and progress in establishing the fate of Americans missing since the Vietnam War.

Bulgaria Expects Leader to Win Vote

SOFIA (Reuters) — Zhelyu Zhelev, who was appointed president in 1990, is likely to retain his job when Bulgarians vote in their country's first presidential election on Sunday. Opinion polls show he is expected to receive more than 50 percent of the vote.

Mr. Zhelev, 56, a former leader of the ruling Union of Democratic Forces, was appointed as Bulgaria's first non-Communist president by a Communist-dominated parliament in 1990. The Communist-led government was swept aside in multiparty general elections in October.

Duke Might Run as an Independent

NEW ORLEANS (WP) - David Duke, enjoying his role as the Republican Party establishment's worst nightmare, says he may run for president as an independent if the Republican Party continues its efforts to keep him off state primary ballots.

"I want to be treated respectfully by the party," Mr. Duke, a former Ku Klux Klansman and a Nazi sympathizer, said during an interview in suburban Metairie. "They've been knocking me around for quite awhile, and I'm not going to sit back and take it. I have political options, and I'm prepared to exercise them. If they keep me off the ballot in states, they might expect a third-party challenge in those states."

In his renegade challenge to President George Bush, Mr. Duke has

faced opposition from state election officials embarrassed by his attachment to the party and concerned that his appeal might transcend Louisiana, where he has run several failed campaigns while attaining what he coveted even more - national money and recognition.

Case of Accused Libyans Goes to UN

UNITED NATIONS, New York (NYT) - The United States, France and Britain on Friday circulated the text of a resolution that they want the Security Council to adopt next week asking the world to press Libya to hand over for trial some of the secret agents they have accused of blowing up two passenger airliners with the loss of 440 lives and pay compensation for these terrorist acts. The three countries want the Security Council to approve a text that

strongly deplores the fact that Libya has not yet responded effectively to the requests they have made in connection with the blowing up of a Pan Am plane over Lockerbie, Scotland, in December 1988 and the destruction of a French UTA airliner over Niger in September 1989.

This is believed to be the first time the Security Council has been asked to call for the extradition of the citizens of one country to stand trial in another and give implicit support to accusation terrorism against a member government of the United Nations.

EC Nuclear Force? Some Talk

PARIS - President François Mitterrand raised for the first time Friday the prospect that France might one day extend its nuclear deterrence to cover the whole of the

dispute over the cause of death, he hopes a solution can be negotiated. Under Lloyd's normal procedures disputes are settled by arbitration.

European Community. Mr. Mitterrand said at a national conference summoned to debate last month's Maastricht EC political and monetary union treaty that

to raise soon the question of nucle- one reason why Germans were re-

defense raise problems that have not yet been resolved and which will have to be resolved," he said. "I am thinking in particular of nuclear force."

Only two of the 12 EC states possess nuclear forces, he noted. "They have a clear doctrine for the agreement to create an embry-

> ropean defense." Mr. Mitterrand, who in 10 years in office has jealously guarded French control over its nuclear deterrent, said he did not want to

answer the question now. But Jacques Delors, the presi-dent of the EC Commission, sitting beside him on the podium, said France should in time extend its nuclear umbrella to the entire European Community.

"If one day the Community becomes a strong political force, why not imagine the transfer of our nu-clear force to that Community?," he said, adding, "But that's not for

minister, Jean François-Poncet,

luctant to surrender their national The beginnings of a common currency to the Community. "People in Germany hesitate to

put the Deutsche mark into the EC basket while France puts in neither its nuclear force nor its permanent seat on the UN Security Council," Paris provoked protests in Ger-

spite the end of the Cold War. The former conservative prime minister Raymond Barre, addressing the same forum, said that

of uncertainty about its nuclear intentions. Mr. Delors and Mr. Barre both warned against slowing down EC

integration for the sake of bringing in Central European states. Mr. Mitterrand said he was convinced that the French Parliament would ratify the Maastricht treaty, despite some opposition criticism of giving EC citizens the vote in

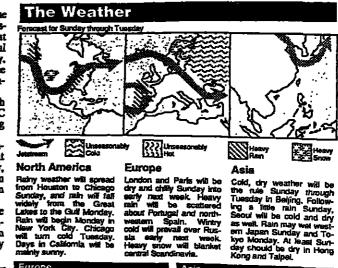
French local elections.

He declined to say whether he would submit the necessary constitold the conference that France's reluctance to share its special diplomatic and military powers was tutional changes to a referendum after they had been adopted by Parliament.

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Sweden will require visas from cinzens of Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco starting Feb. 1, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said Friday. (AFP)

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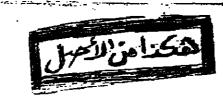
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Japanese Resentful Of Bush

Many Displeased By Trade Appeals

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispotches TOKYO - President George Bush appeared to have left the Japanese resentful over his demands for economic help and bemosed by his embarrassing collapse at a state dinner with what he dismissed as a

touch of flu, Persistently at the center of the trade issue was a U.S. appeal for Japan to buy American cars as a way of closing the trade delicit, an act for which the Japanese, from car makers to street sweepers, had scant enthusiasm.

"If American cars don't sell," the newspaper Yukan Fuji said, "maybe they should go into Tokyo Bay

Some Japanese believed their government had given in to U.S. demands, even though experts on both sides described Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa's concessions symbolic than real.

"Mr. Miyazawa should have said more," said Iwao Fujii, 58, who was looking over the lineup of Japanese cars at a showroom during his lunch break.

"Japan could have made demands in return, instead of just listening." The economic journal Nihon

Keizai Shimbun criticized the outcome of the talks as a blow to free trade, the principle supposedly at the center of the dispute:

In an editorial, the newspaper referred to the so-called action plan agreement on specific purchase targets for U.S. cars and auto parts, as well as agreements on products like glass, paper and computers, as devices to simply promote managed

"The agreement amounted to the world's biggest and second-biggest economic powers formally approv-ing government-managed trade," it

"This is sure to set a bad prece-

The Asahi Shimbun criticized purchasing targets for U.S. goods, and said it was unfortunate that the talks focused on bilateral trade issues when Mr. Bush and Mr. Miyazawa might have been discussing global problems.

The newspaper said that Japan's pledge on autos and auto parts mports from the United States "seems to go against the spirit of the Uruguay Round trade, talks" that the U.S. side had used to press Japan to open its rice markets. in any event, said the Mainichi

Shimbun, "the decision to buy U.S.-made automobiles should ultimately come from the consumer." Then there was the impression left by Mr. Bush's fainting spell at a state dinner given by Mr.

The Asahi newspaper published a cartoon showing Mr. Miyazawa at Mr. Bush's bedside, attempting to serve Mr. Bush a bowl of rice porridge — Japan's version of the

chicken soup cure. Prostrate under the covers, Mr. Bush grumbles, "Make it out of American rice," evoking Japan's Gene Therapy Makes Healthy Copies to Counter Defect ban on rice imports, another issue

of contention with Washington. Even with some of Mr. Bush's admirers, the visit left a bad im-

Hideharu Kaneoya, 55, a lottery salesman who has a small booth on a Tokyo sidewalk and who describes himself as a Bush fan, said, "It was practically meaningless and only a loss for him." (AP, AFP)

U.S. Envoy Sees Accord On Cyprus in 2 Months

ANKARA --- A U.S. envoy said Friday that an agreement to settle the longstanding Cyprus dispute was feasible in two months if all the

parties showed goodwill.

There is no deadline, no timetable, no pressure, but I think the amount of work to be done can be done in a couple of months' time," said Nelson Ledsky, the State Department's Cyprus coordinator. He said that a draft accord could be signed at United Nations headquarters in New York by Turkey, Greece and the Greek and Turkish Cypriot communities.



on increased purchases as more Mr. Bush, talking with reporters aboard Air Force One on his return home, said his trip reaffirmed a vital relationship with Japan.

Japan Balks, Jeopardizing Supercollider

By Edwin Chen

Los Angeles Times Service
WASHINGTON — The failure of President George Bush to win a Japanese commitment to belp finance an \$8.2 billion atom-smasher in Texas has put the project in serious jeopardy in what may be a make-or-break year for it.

Japanese backing has long been viewed as a prerequisite for the completion of the superconducting supercollider project, which is designed to study the basic forces of nature. Bush administration officials were expecting Tokyo to pledge as much as \$1.5 billion during the president's just-ended visit.

But the announcement that Tokyo had mere-ly formed a working group to further study any Japanese involvement in the project left some supporters of the supercollider stunned.

The supercollider is in precarious position." said Representative George E. Brown Jr., Democrat of California, chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee. Without Japanese participation, it will go

NEW YORK — Eight of 10 Americans said the economy is in bad shape, and George Bush is

paying a clear political price for their discontent,

according to the latest New York Times/CBS News Polls But voters know little about the Demo-

The telephone survey, conducted Monday through Wednesday, showed an unpredictable ter-

rain at the start of this election year. The presi-

dent's approval rating is down by three points, to

48 percent, and voters are evenly divided when offered a choice between re-electing Mr. Bush or replacing him with a unspecified Democrat. But

the real Democratic field has barely penetrated

their consciousness, according to the telephone

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crats who would challenge him.

survey of 1,376 adults.

By Natalie Angier

New York Times Service

smoothly and swiftly toward hu-

man gene therapy for cystic fibro-

sis, the most common lethal heredi-

tary disease, scientists have

introduced into the lungs of experi-

mental animals healthy copies of

the gene whose defect causes the

disease. The healthy copies then

blazed to life and stayed robust for

Should the new method prove

safe in further tests, the scientists

said they could begin human trials within the next 12 to 18 months,

thus offering cystic fibrosis pa-

tients the most promising treat-

prevent the buildup of mucus that cystic fibrosis causes in the lungs.

Enzyme treatments can ease the

other symptoms of cystic fibrosis,

but intractable lung problems have

been the leading cause of death for people with the disease. About 30,000 Americans suffer from the

disease, and their average life span

It would be the first treatment to

ment yet for their disorder.

Fred Bucy, former chairman of the Texas hope to learn more about the fundamental National Research Laboratory Commission, said. "We're going to have to persuade Congress that this program is so important that it must be done even without international support." He resigned last summer while urging Washington to abandon any pretense that sig-nificant foreign contributions were a realistic and Bush administrations have acceded to con-

Persuading Congress that the United States should go it alone, however, may be an uphill struggle because legislators have been voting with increasingly closer margins in recent years to kill the project, which some say has become a serious drain on many vital science programs.

The supercollider, scheduled for completion in 1999, would be the world's largest scientific instrument and most powerful particle accelerator. Using thousands of magnets still being developed, it would burl beams of protons around a 54-mile (87-kilometer) oval tunnel underground at great speed, forcing them eventually to collide. By studying the resulting debris - subatom-

ic particles that make up all matter - physicists

Still, the poll reflects the recession's toll on Mr.

Bush. Only 18 percent said he cared "a great deal"

about the needs and problems of people like them-selves, down from 28 percent in March. Thirty-five percent said they thought Bush did not care much

The poll has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points, so the president's rating of 48 is statistically indistinguishable from

Fewer than a third of those surveyed said they

thought Mr. Bush's recent meetings with Asian

leaders would increase employment in the United

States. And 53 percent said they thought the trip

was "mainly for show." About two-thirds said he

and scientists see no reason why the

The research demonstrated that

gene into a live animal's lungs, and

that the gene would generate the

vital protein in a quantity believed to be more than sufficient to essen-

to take a modified adenovirus, and

put it down into the lungs of an

individual with cystic librosis, we'd

get expression of the gene and cor-rection of abnormality," Mr. Crys-tal said. But he emphasized that

many concerns about the safety

and effectiveness of the approach

must be resolved before any patient

will receive the treatment.

"I have no doubt that if we were

tially cure a patient's disease.

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To the scientists' delight, the

cold virus successfully entered the

animals' lung and airway cells and

began propagating significant

amounts of the vital cystic fibrosis

protein. The results were published

"I think it's fantastic," said Lap-Chee Tsui of the Hospital for Sick

Children at the University of To-

Friday in the journal Cell.

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properties of matter and energy, possibly un-covering clues about the origins of the universe. Japanese support for the supercollider is considered indispensable because both the Reagan

gressional demands that the project obtain at east one-third of its financing from nonfederal India is the only country to announce its support, pledging \$50 million; Texas, the host state, is spending \$1 billion. That leaves a shortfall of about \$1.7 billion. The European

nations have their own atom-smasher and are not expected to help with the U.S. project. The lack of a Japanese commitment "reinforces the growing reservations that were manifested the last time Congress voted," said Representative Howard E. Wolpe, Democrat of Michigan, chairman of the investigations and overnight subcommittee of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee.

A Senate proposal to kill the supercollider outright won 37 votes last year.

BUSH: On the Defense

(Continued from page 1)

meters), including stops in Austra-lia, Singapore and South Korea, before he arrived in Japan for negotiations that he counted on to help correct Japan's massive trade surplus with the United States.

For Mr. Bush and his entourage of advisers and U.S. business executives, the critical objective was to open Japanese markets to American cars and automobile parts. Not only were the trade results

inconclusive, by the accounts of the U.S. automobile executives who were intended to benefit, but Mr. Bush, exhausted by his exertions, fered him by Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa on Wednesday. He said it was a touch of flu.

Making the president's personal embarrassment general, his distress was broadcast around the world because a remote television camera had been left functioning in the and we're very excited," said Robert J. Beall, executive vice president many concerns, but this is definiteprime minister's dining room.

Asked Friday whether he thought the Pacific tour, dominat-The animals did not suffer from ed as it was by his collapse in Tocystic fibrosis, and so the treatment kyo, might have been "a political fibrosis, and if we can get through could not be expected to cure the bust" as he readies for a re-election disorder. But previous experiments campaign, Mr. Bush replied, "I in a test tube have shown that adddon't think collapsing with the flu ing back the missing gene to disal Heart, Lung and Blood Institute in Bethesda, Maryland, and his col-

Before he left for Asia, Mr. Bush. in a message aimed at voters, said his objective was "jobs, jobs and

The idea was that by gaining greater access to Asian, especially Japanese, markets for U.S. automotive products, employment in the United States would benefit. If there were to be such a bonus. it was not clear to the business

executives who joined his trip. We were all disappointed in some of the automotive proposals," said Joseph T. Gorman, the chairman of TRW Inc. "There was no agreement, underline no agreement, on that whatsoever.'

Lee A. Iacocca, chairman of the Chrysler Corp., who also accompanied the president, said: "Without persistent outside pressure, the Japanese will not move at all. And why the hell should they? They're winning. In fact, they're beating our brains in.

"We need to use our own weap-on," Mr. Iacocca said. "That means demanding a solution to the problem now, and retaliating now if we don't get it."

The president's political opponents, the Democrats, were severe in their assessments.

"Japan is offering table crumbs," said Senator Donald W. Riegle Jr., Democrat of Michigan, "They're obviously going to do the least that they can get away with. Unfortu-nately, the administration just

hasn't pushed them before and

didn't push them very hard on this

Mr. Riegle's home state has been particularly hard hit by the change in the fortunes of the U.S. auto industry. Carl Levin, Michigan's other

Democratic senator, said: "Until the president is willing to attack trade barriers by placing equivalent restrictions on the goods of other countries that place those barriers on us, our trade policy is going to continue to be weak."

(AP. UPI. Reuters)

All of Fainting Spell on Tape

Japanese Network Withheld the Most Graphic Footage

By T.R. Reid Washington Post Service

TOKYO - The mystery surrounding the videotape of President George Bush's collapse at a state dinner here deepened Friday when it was revealed that there is clear, dramatic videotape of the actual moments when the stricken Mr. Bush reeled, vomited passed out, and toppled from his chair in a dead faint.

The tape, which shows a frightened Barbara Bush leaping to embrace and assist her husband, has not been broadcast The tape shows what happened immediately before the scenes that have been broadcast everywhere, when Mr. Bush is lying on

If Mr. Bush's health becomes an issue in the 1992 campaign, the tape that has not been shown could increase his political problems — if it is ever broadcast.

That may explain why this tape has not been released. The Japanese government, embarrassed that the situation has caused political trouble for its American guest, has sharply criticized NHK, the big Japanese public broadcasting network that was in charge of the cameras at Wednesday's state dinner.

The tape of Mr. Bush's collense was made because an NHK cameraman defied a government ban on filming.

Security agents worked stren-uously at the state dinner to prevent photographers from getting pictures of the stricken Mr. Bush. In fact, though, the videotape depicts the presidential collapse vividly.

As the "pool" camera crew for the dinner, NHK set up two cameras in the hanquet room at the prime minister's residence. But Japanese and U.S. officials ordered reporters to leave the banquet room near the start of the dinner. They did so reluc-tantly, but the NHK man left one camera running, the one aimed directly at the table where Mr. Bush was sitting.

NHK cameramen said the unmanned camera was sending its signal to two monitors, one to the press holding room at the residence, and the other to NHK

NHK officials initially said there was no tape of the moment

when Mr. Bush collapsed. They said a technician who saw the collapse on the monitor quickly pushed a button to start taping, but that the camera's signal was not taped until half a minute or so after Mr. Bush fell.

But there is a tape, played for The Washington Post, that shows the entire crisis. This videotape is more graphic, and more revealing of Mr. Bush's condition than the scenes that have been broadcast.

The tape opens with the guests eating and chatting at the head table: Mr. Bush, Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa, at the president's left, and Barbara Bush to the left of Mr. Miyazawa. A Secret Service man is seen

It was not clear why later portions of the tape had been broadcast, but not the crucial moments.

standing directly behind the president. But since his eyes are prowling the room, he fails to notice any problem until Mr. Bush is already down.

While Mr. Miyazawa and Mrs. Bush are talking, the clearly stricken president closes his eyes and his head reels. In the scariest moment, he appears to pass out completely, and his mert body slumps to the left, toward Mr.

The first person to notice any problem is Mrs. Bush. Looking horrified, she first reaches toward her husband. As the president falls from his chair toward Mr. Miyazawa's lap, Mrs. Bush leaps up, puts her arms around her husband, and works to clear vomit from his mouth with a

Mr. Miyazawa, remarkably calm despite a large amount of vomit in his lap, then cradles the president's head. As Secret Service agents gently put Mr. Bush on the floor, Mrs. Bush moves away and appears to say some-thing like "Give him room." This is why the tape that has been seen shows Mrs. Bush staying some distance from her husband the whole time the whole time.

Eventually, the tape reaches the section that has already been broadcast, with Mr. Bush on the floor, then rising with a smile and pumping his left arm as a

sign of assurance to his host. It was not clear why later portions of the tape had been broadcast, but not the crucial mo-

NHK has cooperative arrangements with other networks around the world. There was disagreement here Friday as to whether those partner networks had access to the signal from the unmanned camera at the state dinner. The scene could have been taped from any monitor in the world that was receiving the NHK camera's signal.

NHK's partner in the U.S. is ABC-TV. ABC has not shown the tape of Mr. Bush's actual collapse.

The now-familiar tape that begins a half-minute or so after Mr. Bush fell was initially broadcast by NHK on Wednesday night about 40 minutes after the inci-dent. Then NHK made it available to all other networks around the world.

NHK's action set off a dispute in Japan, where government tries, with mixed success, to control what can be reported about public events.

Japan's governmental spokes-man, Taizo Watanabe, formally apologized to his American counterpart, the White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater.

"We have explained to the American side that we are making strong representations to NHK for violating the rules of filming that evening. Mr. Wa-tanabe said Friday. "We are pursuing this further."

NHK, the biggest and most popular broadcast network in Japan, is a noncommercial operation that is financed by monthly pledges from tens of millions of households here. It is not a staterun or government corporation. but it does submit its budget plans for review to the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunica-

Ryuichi Teshima, the NHK correspondent who was at the state dinner, strongly defended his network's filming of the scene. "The people's right to know must prevail," he said.

QUAYLE: A Role as Her Husband's 'Eyes and Ears'

(Continued from page 1)

dedicated than as the keeper of Mr. Quayle's image. Her concern about her husband's image was dramatically displayed last year, when she visited the offices her husband maintains in the Dirksen Senate Office Building. On the wall was a large photograph of him finishing a golf swing. His shirt had gathered and filled at his stomach, suggest-

ing a paunch.
"You can't have that up there," Mrs. Quayle said she remember: saying. "It's terrible — Take it down — Look at that stomach!" She picked up a pen and scribbled out her husband's image with

heavy strokes, first the midsection and then the rest of him. "I made it so you couldn't see who it was," she recalled.

We took it pretty much as a joke," said one of the women who witnessed the incident, "but it got very intense. It did flash through my mind: She's taking a lot out on that picture."

Once she had finished the scribbling, Mrs. Quayle said, it crossed her mind that she had compounded the problem. "I realized somebody could take that" and say, "'The vice president's wife did that."

A witness said Mrs. Quayle then placed the picture on the floor and *kicked it.

Columbus Sails Off of Calender In Berkeley

nated the whole of 1992 as "The Year of Indigenous Peo-

brate the important place that indigenous people hold in this country." Mayor Loni Hancock said Friday. "Their societies and philosophies flourished long before Columbus arrived and they continue until today."

"Berkeley wants to cele-

indigenous people. The Sons of Italy's Commis-

mento, a spokesman,

"I do not recall kicking it," said would soon be considered a woman Mrs. Quayle, "but if I did, it was to of the people." get it out of the frame, no other

want to ever see this again." The witnesses described the inci- can, even in a field that is not dent to others as bizarre and trou- theirs." Interviewed about the incident,

Mrs. Quayle became distraught

In no role is Mrs. Quayle more dedicated than as the keeper of ber husband's image.

and indignant over the prospect of the matter becoming public. At several points, her voice quavered and she became tearful.

"I don't lose my temper very often," she said. "I am not violent." Greg Zoeller, a former member of Mr. Quayle's Senate staff, said he would "kind of burst the bubble of her kind of being the witch of the

He said that word of mouth had made minor incidents into legends that "she's just crucified some poor umor staff member."

Mrs. Quayle has, on occasion. dismissed members of her hus-band's staff, including Diane Weinstein, Mr. Quayle's first legal counsel as vice president. "She was in a position where I had good expertise and had to deal with it." said Mrs. Quayle, who is a lawyer. But several close associates of the vice president's, projecting his wife as a potential first lady, made a perhaps inevitable comparison.

'If she got to be first lady, the public would soon forget about close Quayle associate. "Nancy had any problem going home."

"She's not a scientist, but she is a

reason." Once the picture was dis-brilliant woman." Sam Broder, dilodged from its frame. "I just tore it rector of the National Cancer Insti up into pieces and threw it in the tute, said of Mrs. Quayle. " I very rarely use the word 'brilliant,' but Her final words were, "I don't she learns, she retains, she grasps of the way a few, very brilliant people

bling. One said: "To do it in front of all of us. I've seen some pretty goofy things, but nothing like this."

After the 1988 election, when she contemplated life as the vice president's wife. "I thought, man, it: going to be tea and crumpets and would just go nuts." Mrs. Quayle said. She decided to apply herself to cancer research and disaster re lief, and she has become a public advocate for both. She wins exceptionally high praise from govern-ment professionals, who marvel a her seriousness and technical com-

prehension of the subjects. As a promoter of early detection and prompt treatment of breascancer - her mother died of it in 1975 - Mrs. Quayle "brings a great air of moral authority, credibility and clarity," Mr. Broder said He said he has never encountered an official in Washington with greater appetite for briefing materials, or greater skill in asking prob-

ing questions.

When Mr. Broder's commen's were relayed to her. Mrs. Quavic responded with pride - and relief. Her fear, she said, was that she would be regarded by such professionals as "just window dressing."
On her husband's presidential ambitions, she said, "It's not that

he's actively pursuing it," but the Quayles' philosophy of never being in the position "where you close the "You always put yourself where

you're the one that gets to make the "You see some people with a real

compelling drive - Boy I'm going to get to the top no matter what. That's not Dan."

She added. "I think the one thing

that always has held Dan in good stead, he never felt government was his life's work; that neither of us

AMERICAN TOPICS

Car Dealer Tries the No Sell

The Swanson Chrysler-Plymouth dealer-ship in St. Petersburg, Plotida, is trying a new way to sell cars. It has cut its sales staff of 15 to four managers who use no salesmanship at all. They simply answer questions, conduct test drives and offer a take-it-or-leave-it

"People know what they want," said George Fischell, the general manager. They don't want sales pressure when they buy a

Mr. Fischell said the dealership got the idea after sending questionnaires to customers on how to make buying a car easier. "Get rid of pushy salesmen" was a typical response. The move will cut costs, saving on commissions, health insurance policies and Other expenses, with the savings passed on to customers, Mr. Fischell said.

He said he hopes to make money by doing volume business and receiving manufacturer incentive bonuses for selling more cars.

Short Takes

When Alice Curtis Desmond died in 1990 at the age of 93, she left \$2 million each tax-free to her lawyer and nurse. The rest of her \$18 million estate went to the library she had founded with her former husband, a fourterm congressman, Hamilton Fish Sr. The library, a bandsome Georgian building in Garrison, New York, contains irreplaceable records of the Hudson Valley. But because Mrs. Desmond had specified that her lawyer and nurse were to get their bequests tax-free, it quickly became apparent that inheritance taxes, plus capital gains taxes, would eat up the rest of the estate, leaving nothing for the library. A county judge, however, ruled that the nurse and lawyer would have to pay their own taxes. This restored about \$2 million to the library, assuring its survival.

This is extremely encouraging ronto, who helped discover the cys-

With a view to reducing environmental damage, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will review applications over the next two years for relicensing 237 U.S. hydro-electric dams. Most of them were built early in this century, well before builders seriously considered the harm a dam could do to fish and other wildlife, river beds and stream banks. A spokesman said the agency, for example, could order dam authorities to construct fish ladders that would allow salmon to

Record stores in Guilderland, New York, a suburb of Albany, now refuse to sell recordings marked "Parental Advisory: Explicit Lyrics" to anyone under 17. A parent's complaint brought a police notice that such sales might violate the 1967 state obscenity law. Civil rights advocates contend that the "explicit lyrics" warnings, issued by the recording industry itself, are enough and that free speech is being restricted. Town Supervisor Anne T. Rose said: "We're not trying to stop anyone from selling anything. We're asking record store owners to exercise some judgment so that very young children don't buy

A golf bag with two shoulder straps, modeled after the backpack, is being sold by Wilson Sporting Goods Co. of River Grove, Illinois. The bag is designed to balance the weight of clubs more evenly across the back. "You can't believe the idea hasn't been around before," a spokesman said. But apparently not. Suggested retail price: \$149.

Arthur Highee

BERKELEY, California -The 12th of October is no longer Columbus Day in this city known for political correctness. From now on, it will be Indigenous Peoples Day, and city officials have desig-

The city's declaration underscored the revisionist no-

tion that Columbus was not the heroic man who discovered America 500 years ago but a European colonist whose arrival in the New World led to the deaths of millions of

sion on Social Justice criticized the move, saying Columbus should be celebrated as the first person to discover the Americas and record the findings. "It's kind of tough to rewrite history 500 years after it happens," said Richard Ar-

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In Tokyo, Opportunity Lost

A Fiasco for Bush

Personal diplomacy is one of George Bush's great strengths as president. Car salesmanship is not. His three-and-a-halfday visit to Japan, interrupted by a fright-ening bout of stomach flu, was a fiasco. For domestic political reasons, Mr. Bush recast the goals of this trip from designing a

new "global partnership" to demanding that the Japanese quickly lower import harriers to bring America "jobs, jobs, jobs," Lowering protectionist barriers is a worthy exercise. But the president sometimes

blurred the distinction between artificial barriers and legitimate consumer preferences. And he refused to recognize that America's economic problems were not made in Japan and cannot be cured there.

Not even the auto executives Mr. Bush brought with him were impressed with the voluntary" import targets he persuaded the Japanese government to extort in their behalf. And the agreement on coordinating the two countries' fiscal policies to speed global growth contained little new or specific.

The main thing lost in Tokyo was a chance to lay strong personal foundations for a more equitable relationship. Japan now possesses the world's second-largest and most dynamic economy. With the Cold War no longer defining world politics, Washington and Tokyo urgently need to reapportion their contributions to international security and development.

The new Japanese prime minister. Kiichi Miyazawa, was eager to cooperate with his old friend in the White House. But Mr. Bush unwisely asked him for high-profile concessions he had no power to deliver. And the president soft-pedaled important issues on which Mr. Miyazawa might have

A Demeaning Flop

President George Bush's trip to Asia was an exception to a rule. Mr. Bush is usually at his best in the international setting. But the trip to Asia, and mainly the visit to Japan, was awkward and, by the standard the president himself allowed to be set for it, a flop. Knowing better, Mr. Bush tried for domestic political reasons to apply a superficial solution to a fundamental problem. It didn't work.

The problem between the United States and Japan is the trade imbalance. At an unsustainable cost in U.S. jobs and ultimately treasure, the Japanese sell billions more to America each year than they buy. Japan's maddening protective and competitive practices are part of the reason, but not the principal reason. The Japanese carefully run their economy in such a way as to consume less than they produce, a frugal habit that leaves them both goods and capital to export. The United States has carelessly drifted in the opposite direction, in which appetite exceeds production. The ultimate answers are policy shifts to expand consumption in Ja-

been able to offer constructive responses. To take one obvious example, Japan has benefited mightily from the reduction of global trading barriers since World War II. negotiated mainly through the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Tokyo is now honor-bound to give other countries

the same opportunity by helping to lower barriers in agriculture and services.

Instead, Japan continues to hold out against imports of foreign-grown rice, jeopardizing the nearly completed Uruguay Round trade talks, Japan's rice-growing lobby is small but powerful. There is reason to think Mr. Miyazawa would have been willing to risk some political capital by standing up to rice farmers. Mr. Bush's focus on autos, nowever, gave him little incentive to try.

Mr. Bush also lost an opportunity to help shape Japan's plans to assume a more active international role. The Gulf war last year dramatically underscored the imbalance between Japan the economic superpower and Japan the geopolitical featherweight. Tokyo contributed \$13 billion to allied efforts, but avoided significant involvement.

Secretary of State James Baker recently made headlines in Tokyo by saying Japan owed the new international order more than just "checkbook diplomacy." Many Japanese agree, Mr. Mivazawa among them.
But there is sharp debate about what

form Japan's new global role should take. Asian neighbors fear a return to the milita-rism of the 1930s and 1940s. The United States is well placed to help design an appropriate international division of labor. As it turned out, the only Bush who gained anything from the trip was Barbara, who impressed Japanese and Americans

pan while constraining it in America (the obvious method being gradually to reduce the federal budget deficit), with currency realignments to follow and match.

alike with her extemporaneous good grace.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

in that sense the gauzy agreement on the part of the Japanese to a "strategy for world growth" and the elliptical language on the part of both governments seeming to bless a recent decline in the value of the yen at least pointed in the right direction. In contrast, the huckstering side of the trip, having to do with auto-part and auto sales, was all wrong. It was fine for the president to take some businessmen with him to emphasize that America is serious about the trade imbalance, that Japan no more than the United States can afford to let the imbalance endure and that the likely ugly alternative to correcting it is protectionism. Nor was there anything wrong with the president using the trip in part as a domestic political platform, reminding the voters that the object was jobs. What was demeaning was that, for all the protestations to the contrary, the U.S. delegation looked like it was asking for a favor, a handout — and to some extent it was.

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Hope, at Least, for Haiti

A fragile arrangement is reported that pains to explain that he is a certain kind of could case the crisis in Haiti, where the Communist — renovated, or at least renomilitary ousted the elected president, Jean- variable. Earlier, he denounced President Bertrand Aristide, in September, Father Aristide is asking the parliament to designate as prime minister in opposition politician named René Théodore, a compromise candidate who had repudiated the coup but had also distanced himself from Father Aristide. The civilian and military elites are being consulted. Father Aristide's own return would come at a calmer time when the Organization of American States would have had a chance to undertake some reforms and clear the air.

It is good that leaders of the parliament, rather than recognizing the military-installed de facto government or calling for new elections, are negotiating with Father Anstide, who represents the constitutional authority. But suspicions persist that the army is merely trying to toy with and tire the hemispheric community, and it remains problematic whether Mr. Theodore can be confirmed as required in the Senate, where be has no political base. Mr. Theodore is a founder of a body called the Haitian Unified Communist Party: Haitians are at

Aristide for fomenting mob violence.

The coup made Haiti the only country in the Western Hemisphere outside Communist Cuba not ruled by popular consent. In response, the OAS made a historic post-Cold War decision not to let its traditional anti-interventionism keep it from working to restore democracy in Haiti. The OAS quickly condemned the coup, isolated the country politically and imposed a commercial embargo. Father Aristide's (fairly documented) tactics in taking the law into his own hands bumped but did not derail efforts to restore the constitutional order.

The embargo is the cutting edge of the OAS pro-democracy squeeze. But the embargo, while reaching to the clites, crushes the poor. Humanitarian relief is allowed by the terms of the embargo, and it is urgent. President George Bush could provide it with an executive order permitting a resumption of business by Haiti's once-surging product-assembly sector. The humaniturian reasons for acting are compelling.

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Lessons of Wilder's Failure

The withdrawal by Governor Douglas Wilder of Virginia from the presidential campaign has elicited the standard responses. Other Democratic hopefuls express admiration for their departed colleague even as they angle to rake in his constituency. But this failed campaign will be only a preview of difficult times for these Democrats unless they absorb its chief lesson.

Mr. Wilder's campaign tailed because he spoke more in slogans than in substance and never articulated a vision that voters could grasp. That could continue to happen unless the Democratic candidates develop clearer themes than they have so far sounded.

That Mr. Wilder was the first African-American ever elected as a governor gave him name recognition. But he was never able to build more than a skeletal campaign. staff or generate much enthusiasm outside Virginia. When questioned about the candidate, voters said they found him vague. Mr. Wilder was heavy on symbolism and

short on specifics about issues like the defien and the need for health-care reform. This was evident during last month's first nationally televised debate, when he was autick with slogans, slow with substance. His closing statement was less of a policy statement than a homily about how inspirational it was for him, the grandson of slaves, to be running for the office of president.

There is glory in that fact, though less than there might have been if two black presidential candidates had not preceded him. Representative Shirley Chisholm and, more recently, the Reverend Jesse Jackson have campaigned honorably and effectively. It can be said that Mr. Wilder was the first black candidate to seek national office as a fiscal conservative. That has enriched the political mix.

If there is a bright side to his early exit, it is that his candidacy seems to have failed for reasons of content, not of race.

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OPINION

Gulf War: The Jewel in Bush's Crown Has Lost Its Gleam .

W ASHINGTON — On the first anniversa-ry of the Gulf war we see that the war triggered a burst of triumphalism that was self-refuting: If that war, in which the United States and a largely rented and Potemkin coalition of allies smashed a nation with the gross national product of Kentucky, could make America "feel good about itself," as was then said, then America should not feel good about itself.

Twelve months later, it doesn't. The war, which had many rationales in the run-up to it, seemed, in the aftermath, to have been intended therapeutically. It was supposed to banish "the Vietnam syndrome." meaning doubt about U.S. ability to project force effectively. It was also supposed to rekindle Ameri-

can confidence, technological and governmen-tal. A tall order for a short war.

The war is the jewel in the crown of George Bush's foreign policy, which is his strong suit.

But how strong?

The military performed well in the war. However, it will not do anything similar any time soon. Deficit-driven defense cuts, some already agreed to, others coming, are incompatible with such a large, quick operation. Desert Storm was an unrepeatable use of van-ishing Cold War capabilities.

The war diplomacy has left lingering anxi-

By George F. Will

eties about sovereignty and consututionality, and about the process and substance of Mr.

Bush's foreign policy.

Although the war was a demonstration of U.S. military strength, a lasting political consequence may be weakness, a disabling dilution of American sovereignty. Mr. Bush made U.S. policy subservient to the United Nations at a moment when the UN was pleased to be subservient to when the UN was pleased to be subservient to the United States. But there may come a time when the United States will be held hostage to a Desert Storm legacy, the idea that the legitimacy of U.S. force is directly proportional to the

number of nations condoning it.

As Desert Shield began and became Desert Storm, its rationale was given variously as: the defense of Saudi Arabia; the restoration of the Kuwait regime (with the help of America's new ally, Syria, which has done to Lebanon approximately what Iraq did to Kuwait); preservat the regional balance of power; prevention of the moral equivalent of Hitler (war crimes trials were hinted) from getting nuclear weapons. Each ra-tionale was better than the impression Mr. Bush

gave of improvising rationales.

The war reflected President Bush's penchant

for personalizing foreign policy, in several senses. He believes less in the steady interests of nations than the personal relations between leaders. And he tends to translate his visceral

feelings into policies.

In a forthcoming book, "George Bush's War,"

Jean Edward Smith of the University of Toronto notes how prominent the first person pronoun was in Mr. Bush's exclamations of policy: "I've had it." "I'm getting increasingly frustrated," "Consider me provoked," "I am more determined than ever before in my life" and so on. Mr. Smith says, "It was as if foreign policy had

become presidential autobiography.

Mr. Smith reminds readers how close Mr. Bush came to unilaterally amending the U.S. Bush came to unitaterary amending the U.S. Constitution by stripping from Congress all right to involvement in the making of war. Mr. Bush only grudgingly (and, he insisted, superfluously) sought constitutional approval for launching one of the largest military operations in U.S. history, an attack on a nation with which America was not at war.

with which America was not at war.

The war displayed Mr. Bush at his best, but it

is a problematic best.

He is happiest when dealing with foreign policy because then he is dealing with a few foreign leaders and he does not need to muster the patience and persuasion required in the domestic

politics of a turbulent democracy. He has reversed the advice in Washington's farewell address: He avoids domestic entanglements.

His preference for any established order abroad explains the gray, leaden spirit of Sec-retary of State James Baker's remarks in Belgrade (June 21, 1991) urging preservation of the doorned Yugoslav state. It explains Mr. Bush's Kiev speech (Aug. 1, 1991), telling Ukrainians, in effect, that their proper future was in a Soviet Union run by Mikhail Gorbachev. It explains Mr. Bush's appeasement of his acquaintances (from his ambassadorial days) in China's bloodstained gerontocracy. Mr. Bush's preference for order before free-dom is apparent in his neomercantilist ap-proval of "managed" trade with Japan.

Desert Storm was supposed to serve a new world order, but Mr. Bush has not seriously tried to translate Kuwait's moral debt to America into something truly new — an Arab democracy. Instead, Mr. Bush's itch to tidy up the Middle East has translated into an adversarial relationship between America and the only

democracy in the region, Israel.

There is, to say no more, room for argument about foreign policy — Mr. Bush's strong suit, such as it is — in the coming campaign.

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Errors and Opportunism: Bush's Year-Long Slide

By A. M. Rosenthal

N EW YORK — One year ago next week George Bush took one of the most important, risk-filled and courageous steps ever ventured by a U.S. president - to do hattle against an aggressor who had not directly at-

tacked the United States.
In the last half-century two other presidents had gone to war against marauding dictatorships - Franklin Roosevelt against Japan and Harry Truman against North Korea. But in hoth cases U.S. armed forces or a dependent ally had already been attacked. And at the time there were

few who mounted protest.

President Bush welded together agreement from a country and a Congress that had deep misgivings. He had to convince both that moving against a powerful dictatorship in support of a weak dictatorship was in this case worth risking the lives of American men and women.

He had to make the country understand that the aggressor was armed not only with a potent arsenal but a concept and intent of combining military and political power into domination of a region essential to American interests.

He did. And five days after he

ordered the beginning of the ground war it was all over, Saddam Hussein defeated. No leader stood higher in the esteem of the world and his coun-

began the slide - that sad series of

trymen than George Bush. Then, at the moment of victory.

errors, misjudgments, switches and distancing from friendship and prin-ciple, around the world.

1. Mr. Bush permitted Saddam Hussein to remain in power, his killer squads around him. If he was a Hitler, as Mr. Bush said, it was like permitting Hitler to remain in command of Germany — also Goebbels, Göring, Himmler, the Nazi Party and the Wehrmacht high command. 2. Mr. Bush permitted the Iraqi dic-

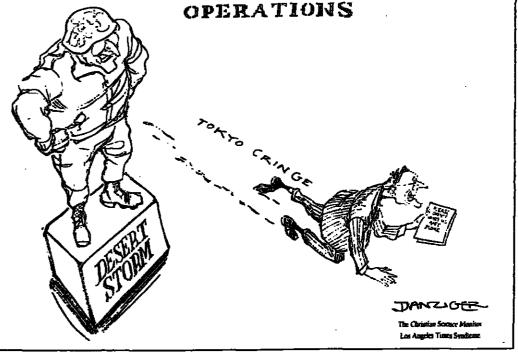
tator to use the air and ground forces that the coalition left him. He used them well — to drive hundreds of thousands of Kurds and other iraqis who had trusted America into the cold

and death of mountain refuge.

3. Mr. Bush thought he could help Mikhail Gorbachev patch together a free-market economy within the Soviet system. That was like trying to marry a hedgehog and a garden snake. The man who was to say that was treated scornfully by the Bush administration — until he became president of Russia and handed Mr. Gorbachev his pension papers.

4. Mr. Bush hedged on the American pledge of support to Baltic inde-pendence and stalled almost to the point of - what's a more respectful word than betrayal?

5. Mr. Bush in Kiev delivered a lecture on the dangers of indepen-dence when that was what Ukrainians and all other inmates of the Soviet system so plainly lusted for. 6. Mr. Bush presides over the U.S.



government while political leadership in Europe goes rapidly to Germany,

and says not a word.
7. Mr. Bush has made the free, democratic United States the main supporter of the Syrian dictator, dis-

cernible from the Iraqi variety only by the difference in mustaches.

8. Mr. Bush has weakened the Middle East peace talks. He has allowed the administration to show stunning contempt for Israel by voting for vicously strong language denouncing the deportation of 12 Palestinians stronger than the condemnation of Iraq for conquering Kuwait.

What else does he have in mind for Israel to break its will and destroy the name of the nation that the United States once called its only and cherished Mideast democratic ally? When

was that — yesterday?

9. Mr. Bush clings to his peculiar taste for Chinese Communist leaders, using his power to block minimal congressional economic steps to protest the brutality of the world's

biggest gulag. 10. And now President Bush leads a sales pitch to Japan - surely one of the most embarrassing expeditions in the history of either country.

Great salesmanship: Buy or else. What happened to George Bush? Nothing much, I suspect.

Time and again after the Gulf lighting, he had his choice between consistent democratic idealism, which from the Baltics to Beijing has proved itself the most powerful po-litical instrument in the world, and opportunism - which looks smart, for a minute, and then turns out to be too smart by half.

Mr. Bush just made his choices for opportunism. That is sad. But he did rise to the moment, once, a year ago.

The Cost of Growth: In Japan, Telltale Signs of Social Distress

D OME - Japan, like the United States, faces a social crisis of its own making. The difference is that Japan's crisis is at a far earlier stage and may never reach the dramatic levels of social distress suffered in

parts of the United States. Even as its global financial power has grown. Japan has experienced some disturbing social developments: growing inequality in income; rising numbers of home mortgage failures; the emergence of homelessness in Tokyo; an inability to cope with new illegal immigration from Asia: wornes about deindustrialization; and rising criminality.

Growing numbers of working and middle-class people are facing declining incomes and growing job insecuri-Mine and factory closings have caused severe dislocations in small towns and large industrial centers. Auto parts and electronics manufacturing have moved to low-wage countries like Thailand and Mexico.

These developments, along with a broad loss of power by manufacturing workers, have contributed to a drop in real wages. The wage increases negotiated each spring for major manufacturing industries and mining have also slowed.

Labor unions have seen their power

BRUSSELS — When an advance party of 50 blue-helmeted UN peacekeepers reaches Yugoslavia, it will mark the first

deployment of United Nations

troops on the Continent. Yet while

this may signal hope for Yugosla-

via, its implications for the Euro-

pean Community are unsettling. The presence of a UN force will

underline the EC's failure to estab-

lish itself as a peacekeeper in Eu-

rope. For all the brave talk at Maas-

tricht of common EC foreign and

security policies, these remain elu-

sive. The Community's record on

Yugoslavia has been unimpressive.

and bodes ill for any future attempt

to forestall trouble in unstable parts

of Eastern Europe.

The arrival in Europe of a UN

force is also certain to turn up the

heat in a long-simmering dispute

within the Community over its lack of a seat on the UN Security Coun-

cil. If the UN is to play a growing

role in European peacekeeping, there is clearly a case for offering the

EC one of the five permanent seats

in the 15-member Security Council.

Those five seats were allocated in

1946 to the United States, the Soviet

Union, nationalist China, Britain

and France. Not until 1971 did Beij-

ing oust Taiwan from China's per-

manent seat. Last week, Russia was

permitted to assume the Soviet seat.

Now, the French and British places

are under discussion. Both Germany

erode. The one union that could actually stop the economy because of its nationwide presence, the railroad

workers union, has been dissolved. Japan's famous "life-long job secucovers a shrinking portion of the work force: today, only about 23 percent of all workers.

Home ownership has become an

workers are suffering from a syndrome associated with overwork. Not unrelated the astounding discipline that makes Tokyo tick rests on increasingly unbearable commuting by about a third of the work force.

Yet even as real income among parts of the working and middle classes has declined, earnings of top

Some have clearly benefited from economic growth much more than others; the result is disaffection.

By Saskia Sassen

increasingly unattainable goal for much of the middle class. Some mortgages now run 90 years, meaning it takes the work of three generations to realize the dream of ownership.

Interestingly, the government implemented a program under which families with mortgages at risk of failure are visited quietly by official agents who offer to arrange the discreet sale of their house back to the bank or to the government -- a way of turning a de facto failure into a sale

Reminiscent of the "heart-attack crisis" among U.S. white-collar workers in the 1950s and 1960s, growing numbers of Japanese white-collar

A Security Council Seat for the EC?

By Giles Merritt

and Japan have asserted claims

hased mainly on economic strength.

The debate over a permanent EC

seat says more about the realities of

European integration than do any of

the sonorous pronouncements at

Maastricht, Many of the Communi-

ty's smaller member states believe

that the EC should have a perma-

nent seat, to be occupied in turns by

the EC government holding the re-

Council of Ministers.

weight of EC business.

volving six-month presidency of the

Not all EC states are enthusias-

tic. The larger states say that for the

smaller ones to be asked to play a

global role would impose an intol-

erable burden. Countries like Por-

tugal, which has just taken over the

EC presidency from the Nether-

lands, find their government re-sources overstretched simply by the

The risk that the Community's

performance at the UN would be

highly uneven argues against a per-

manent seat. So does the EC's lack-

luster record in common policymak-

ing. The Community's disarray in

the Gulf crisis was a sorry spectacle;

only Britain and France gave whole-

hearted military support to the U.S.

led coalition. ÉC division over Yu-

goslavia has provided another

embarrassing display of disunity.

The British and French govern-

professionals and managers have risen sharply. The highest salaries are in the financial industry. Average monthly earnings in finance for men in 1988 were about 460,000 yen (\$3.680 at today's rates) compared with 347,000 yen in manufacturing, the two sectors on which Japan's might rests. And luxury imports — German cars. French designer clothes, Italian leather goods - rose

The growing inequality appears in other ways, too. The number of work-

of giving up their privileged UN seats. They relish the prestige and influence involved, and point to con-

tributions they have made. London and Paris publicly sympathize with the UN ambitions of Germany and

Japan, but point out quietly that the two are economic heavyweights

The British initiative for a meet-

ing this month in New York involving the leaders of the five perma-

nent Security Council members and

the new UN secretary-general, Bu-

tros Butros Ghali, is ostensibly

aimed at dealing with the changed role and responsibilities of what

once was the Soviet Union. But it

also seems designed by Whitehall to

reaffirm the composition of the

The case against a permanent EC

seat on the Security Council is easily deflected so long as the Commu-

nity's member governments them-selves remain divided over the idea.

Yet to leave the UN unchanged

would be the worst outcome of all Instability and conflict loom large

in post-Cold War Europe, and it

looks as if the United Nations and

the European Community will be

the major players. Their overlapping responsibilities and areas of influ-

ence demand close links. The nature

of security threats is changing, and

International Herald Tribune.

the UN must change with it.

more than political ones.

UN's inner core.

sharply in the late '80s.

ers selling their labor by the day has risen sharply. The major day-labor markets are growing, and reportedly

most of them with unemployment insurance and other entitlements not unlike longshoremen in the United

Day laborers were once well-pro-

tected by regulations that provided

States. Today, many newcomers have no coverage, many day laborers are homeless, and many find it difficult to survive on their earnings. The largest day-labor market in Tokyo, in the Taino ward, is considered a dangerous, crime-ridden place. These labor markets are increas-

ingly drawing former white-collar workers and university graduates who either feel ashamed that they did not get the job they expected or who have been laid off because their skills are unneeded in today's economy. Here also are many of the new illegal immigrants from Thailand, Pakistan, Bangladesh, the Philippines. They

lead solitary and clandestine lives. The old part of Tokyo is showing signs of decay and decline. It includes the wards that contained traditional manufacturing, now obsolete. Forced displacement of residents and shops, often after arson attacks, and depopulation due to suburbanization of younger people, have created a sense of disintegration. Vandalism and crime are growing, as is homelessness among old men and women left be-hind when their children moved out. Aggressive real estate development

in the United States, traditional activities have been curtailed amid the growth of favored industries. The trend toward greater economic inequality could have an added impact in a country that saw itself as united in the struggle to rebuild after World War II and in the belief that

national economic growth would

has had its costs. In a pattern familiar

are coming more and more under the control of criminal syndicates.

benefit all. There is increasing awareness that some have benefited much more than others.

Disaffection is increasingly evident. In a break with the past, firms are now sued when a worker dies of overwork. The virulence with which the press has pursued recent scandals in the stock market may be partly a symptom of the disaffection, and of declining social cohesiveness: contuntion was long known to exist a way of doing business and of running the government. Organized crime operates at all levels of the economy, as became evident during the investigations last year of the leading securities houses.

Yes. Japan has immense economic might. But its might is based on an economic system that extracts immense social costs. In the long run these costs weaken and tear at the economic fabric. It happened in the United States, and the first telitale

signs are appearing in Japan.

If this is the late of great economic powers, more attention should go to the social dimensions of economic growth. It is not enough to consider profits, market shares and the techni-

al innovations that promote these. The challenge for the United States today, and eventually for Japan, lies in connecting economic growth to larger and larger sectors of the population now excluded, to more and more low-income communities now in decline. The challenge is not, I would argue, to regain market share from Japan. Finding ways of making this connection between econom and society is, in today's world a growth industry.

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IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Duke Flu-Stricken

LONDON — The serious illness of the Duke of Clarence has, of course, created a tremendous sensation. An attack of pneumonia, following influcuza, is not to be regarded without grave apprehensions in almost every case where it occurs, but the Duke of Clarence was never very robust, and his lungs are not the strongest part of him. Therefore some considerable anxiety is felt, and the fear is that the Royal marriage, to which everyone was looking forward with interest.

will have to be postponed. 1917: Movies and Morals

LONDON - The Cinema Commission of Inquiry formed by the Na-tional Council of Public Morals finds that the development of picture houses has produced a marked inprovement in the streets of our comtry. The cinema halls proved a power-ful counter-attraction to the public-

noticeable diminution in the number of street offences, and there has been a decrease in the amount of drunkenness among those who from sheer lack of occupation gravitate at night to the public-houses,

1942: Desert Fox Flees

CAIRO - [From our New York edition:] Broken Axis mechanized forces were reported tonight [Jan. 10] to be fleeing from the Libyan battleground of Agedabia, ninety miles south of Bengasi, toward El Agheila on the Tripolitanian frontier, with such speed that the pursuing British mo-bile columns were unable to keep up with them. London reports say that about half the troops falling back on El Agheila were German and that the Nazis were critical not only of their Italian comrades but of their own commanders. While the British pursued, Free French air forces and British naval units bombarded and shelled isolated Axis troops remainhouses. Chief constables reported a ing in on the Egypt-Libya border.

Georgia Legislators Meet as Rebels Pull Out of the Capital

TBILISI, Georgia — Georgian members of parliament met Friday for the first time since the overthrow of President Zviad K. Gamsakhurdia as the victorious rebels sought to bring political legitimacy to their rule.

About 60 of the 192 deputies held an unofficial meeting in a cin-ema after two weeks of fighting reduced the former Soviet republic's parliament to a ruin.

The roling Military Council reithe is still president of Georgia, has erated that it would hand over to a promised from his haven in Armecivilian administration shortly. The main rebel fighting bands, who forced Mr. Gamsakhurdia to flee to Armenia on Monday, withdrew from the capital.

This is not a military regime and the Military Council did not stage a coup," said a spokesman for the council. Zurab Podskhveria. "It is hard to say how long it will take to hand over power to political anthorities, but it should be less than two weeks.'

Tengiz Sigua, appointed provi-sional prime minister by the Milithe parliament would formally con-day.

vene by Jan. 13 or 14 and that the Military Council could hand over power as early as Jan. 15. But Mr. Podskhveria said that such a swift transition was probably unrealistic.

The rebels have sought to justify the overthrow of a president elected only seven months before with 87 percent of the vote by accusing him of trying to impose a dictator-

Mr. Gamsakhurdia, 52, who says nia to work for his remm to Tbilisi. The Transcaucasian republic of 5.4 million people was calm on Friday, through Mr. Podskhveria said that western Georgia, where loyalists have demonstrated in recent days, was still tense.

He said there was still a risk of violence if pro-Gamsakhurdia demonstrations were held again in Tbilisi in defiance of a state of emergency imposed by opposition

Masked rebel gunmen killed four sional prime minister by the Mili-tary Council, said Thursday that and wounded another two on Tues-

Cheney Fears Feud Over Nuclear Arms

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatch LONDON - Defense Secretary Dick Chency said Friday that disputes between Soviet republics over military assets like the Black Sea Fleet could widen into one over the former Soviet nuclear

Britain expressed concern over the dispute between Ukraine and Russia and urged the two former Soviet republics to work out their

"While it is for the republics to work out their relationships among themselves, we have made it clear to them that we attach importance to single control of nuclear weapons and the need for them to work out interrepublican relations in a sensible and cooperative way," a

Foreign Office spokesman said.

Mr. Cheney said that the republics had acted responsibly over control of nuclear weapons and noted that so far the dispute over the fleet had not spread to nuclear issues.

"It's something we watch very carefully, of course, because a dispute over military assets could slop over and affect the nuclear inventory," he said in an interview with BBC radio. The former Soviet republics, meanwhile, have joined the NATO

allies in agreeing that a treaty cutting tanks and other nonnoclear weapons in Europe should remain unchanged. The nations, meeting in Brussels for the first time to discuss the accord, underscored their desire to implement the Conventional Armed Forces in Europe agreement, that was signed in November 1990.

"The CFE treaty should enter into force without renegotiation and be fully implemented as soon as possible," said a statement by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization after daylong talks on Friday. "Treaty obligations assumed by the former Soviet Union should be wholly accounted for by all the newly independent states," On a BBC television program, Defense Secretary Tom King of

Britain warned of a tug-of-war over the control of nuclear weapons.

"There are huge forces at work, and we cannot be sure what the outcome will be," he said.

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What we are acutely concerned about is the issue of nuclea weapons to ensure they are not some part of a tug-of-war in which pieces may fall off or get into the wrong hands," Mr. King said.

Mr. Cheney met with Prime Minister John Major on Friday before

going to Germany for talks on military issues.

The State Department announced Thursday that a U.S. delegation led by the undersecretary of state for security assistance, science and ald Barthok week to the Commonwealth of Independent States for discussions aimed at limiting the risk of nuclear weapons proliferation.

The talks are intended as a followup to Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d's meetings in December with the leaders of Russia, Uktaine, Kazakhstan and Belarns about possible U.S. assistance in nuclear arms dismantling and protection efforts.

The State Department spokesman, Margaret D. Tutwiler, said that Mr. Bartholomew and the interagency experts that will accompany him were particularly interested in helping the Commonwealth nations establish strict export controls governing nuclear weapons and related technology.

U.S. officials have expressed concern about potential leakage of nuclear weapons technology to Third World countries. The concerns were heightened this week by a report from Moscow that Libyan officials had recently tried to lure two Russian nuclear scientists with

offers of higher pay.

In Copenhagen, Prime Minister Poul Schluter said the West should insist that the republics keep their nuclear technicians at home as a condition for receiving economic aid.

U.S. officials said that Mr. Bartholomew expected to hear concrete suggestions about how the Bush administration should spend up to \$400 million appropriated by Congress to assist the Common wealth's effort to bolster nuclear safeguards.

Until now, "the Russians haven't shown much interest in our helping them," a U.S. official told The New York Times on condition that he not be named, because they believe that they have adequate controls on nuclear weapons shipments and storage. (AP, Reiders, NYT)



NOT AN ESCAPE LADDER FOR YELTSIN — The Russian president, Boris N. Yeltsin, climbing stairs inside a Russian-built jumbo jet while visiting the factory in the southern city of Ulyanovsk. Mr. Yeltsin has been touring the Russian provinces this week in an effort to calm lears over price rises.

KOHL: Bonn Rebuffs Critics of 'Assertive' Policies

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energies will be exhausted for the near future with the task of rebuilding its eastern territories and assisting the battered economies of its newly democratic neighbors.

Stressing that theme, Mr. Kohl said, "The best we can do in these coming years, until the end of the

Beijing Assails Liberal Faction In Hong Kong

The Associated Press HONG KONG - A senior Chinese official on Friday accused liberals in Hong Kong of trying to overthrow the Chinese govern-

Lu Ping, director of the Chinese State Council's Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office, singled out the United Democrats of Hong Kong, the territory's largest liberal party. He did not elaborate.

Mr. Lu, who has been in Hong Kong this past week to meet with government officials and businessmen, has created controversy by failing to invite the United Democrats to his social functions or meetings despite the fact that they dominated the colony's first direct legislative elections in September. All pro-China candidates were de-

feated in the voting.
Several United Democrat legislators are active in the Hong Kong Alliance for Patriotic and Democratic Movements in China, a prodemocracy organization that China has branded as subversive.

century, is to put our house in or- country's fiercely autonomous cender, and to show our solidarity by tral bank.

helping others." Mr. Kohl vowed to press for changes in Germany's constitution. to allow its troops to take part in United Nations peacekeeping mis-sions. The step is opposed by the French Social Democratic-led opposition. But he dismissed suggestions that Bonn would seek a Security Council seat. "We have enough to do at

home." he said. A close aide to Mr. Kohl, noting the absence of public debate on the Cheney Supports Bonn issue in Germany, said Bonn was satisfied that Britain and France, who are permanent Security Council members, adequately represented European interests.

"If a seat did come free, we would be in favor of it going to the European Community," he said adding that memories of Germa
Mr. Cheney said after meeting permit it taking the kind of visible foreign policy role a Security Council veto would afford.

Mr. Kohl defended his vigorous drive to seek recognition for Croatia and Slovenia, rebuffing de-mands by the United States, the Linited Nations and some European allies to remain within the framework of previous European peace efforts.

Citing the recent cease-fire negotiated by the United Nations envoy, Cyrus R. Vance, he said, "I am very sure that with hindsight it will be seen that the position we took was helpful."

He dismissed critics of Germany's recent interest rate policy, arguing that he was unable to influence independent decisions of the

In a lighter vein, the chancellor brushed aside critics of his recent efforts to have German installed as an official European Community language alongside English and "When you think that some Brit-

German sounds, then I can only shake my head," he said. "For God's sake, we're in 1992, not

The U.S. defense secretary, Dick Cheney, said Friday he did not share reported concerns in Washington that the reunited Germany was playing a too assertive role in foreign affairs. The Associated

ny's militaristic past remained too leaders of the conservative Chris-Democrats, that the United States had hoped Germany would take on greater responsibilities. "I think we welcome that." Cheney said.

Will Hold Talks in U.S.

High North Korea Official

TOKYO - A senior member of North Korea's Communist Party will visit the United States on Jan. 20 for talks with government officials there, a Japanese news agency said Friday.

The Kyodo Tsushin agency quoted Shin Kanemaru, vice president of Japan's governing Liberal Democratic Party, as saying he learned of the visit Wednesday during a state dinner in Tokyo in hon-

or of President George Bush. Kyodo said that Undersecretary of State Robert B. Zoellick of the United States told Mr. Kanemaru that Kim Yong Sun, the Commu-

Washington.

Jong II, President Kim II Sung's son and heir-apparent.

Will Ethiopia Disintegrate?

Apprehension Grows Over Plans for Ethnic Regions

ing to reports from both sides.

In the last several days, units

of both forces have clashed in the

string of towns from Harar in the

east to Awash, about 325 kilome-

ters (200 miles) west of Addis

Ababa. In the last several

months, there has also been

scenario where it

goes down the

A Western diplomat

fighting in the Oromo regions of

Arusi, to the south of the capital,

The southern region is agricul-

turally the most fertile of this chronically food-short country,

but the area is now so chaotic

that farming has been severely

curtailed, agricultural experts

In an interview, Mr. Meles,

But, he added, "Things have

not gone too far, yet."
"Once we have new security in place," he said, "with a new po-

lice force and all armed groups inside camps, there should be no

Mr. Meles said he was confi-

dent that the election of regional

assemblies, planned for three

months from now, would under-

cut Oromo or other ethnic seces-

"With regional governments

people can use their own lan-

guages, develop their own cul-tures," he said. "What reason

can there be for separation

But members of his govern-ment concede that it will be ex-ceedingly difficult to hold re-

gional elections in a poorly

educated country that has never

known democracy.

To keep Ethiopia together,

reasons for armed conflicts."

who is 37, acknowledged that the

ethnic clashes were worrisome.

and in Wallaga, to the west.

'I can see a

tubes.'

By Jane Perlez New York Times Service

months after winning control of

this war-weary, impoverished nation, the new Ethiopian gov-

ernment is struggling to keep its

people together despite ethnic

conflicts, a rock-bottom econo-

my and a dispirited bureaucracy.

There is growing apprehen-sion here in the capital that an experiment to dismantle the tra-

ditionally autocratic central gov-

ernment into self-governing re-

gions based on ethnicity will

result in the disintegration of the

This danger is accentuated, Ethiopians and Western donors

say, as President Meles Zenawi

refuses to shed the Marxist eco-

nomic ideas of his insurgency

movement and pushes the peas-

ants and urban dwellers into

"I can see a scenario where it

goes down the tubes." a Western

diplomat said. "It's not hard to

A member of the new govern-

ment was also gloomy, saying, "I can see civil war ahead."

After routing the army of the Marxist government of Lieuten-ant Colonel Mengistu Haile

Mariam in May, the insurgent group based in Tigre province in

the north and led by Mr. Meles formed a coalition government

at a national conference in July.

The main partnership in the new government is between Mr.

Meles's Ethiopian Peoples Revo-

lutionary Democratic Front and

the Oromo Liberation Front,

based on the Oromo people of

the southern region, the coun-

try's largest ethnic group. The Oromo of the south are largely

Muslim and the Tigreans of the

north are Christians of the Ethio-

pian Orthodox Church. They

speak different languages.
There have been increasing in-

cidents of fighting between the

armed forces of these two ethnic

groups as Mr. Meles's forces

move into the south as a national

imagine a Yugoslavia. But every-

one wants to avoid that."

even deeper poverty.

country.

ADDIS ABABA - Six

Mr. Bush, while visiting South Korea earlier this week, said better relations between North Korea and the United States would be possible if the North followed through on recent pledges to allow inspection of its nuclear facilities.

tional security adviser, said Wednesday that the United States was ready to hold talks with Pyongyang at the undersecretary level.

cember to ban nuclear weapons from their divided peninsula. South nuclear reprocessing and uranium

army and clash with a rising tide of Oromo nationalism, accord-regions what he has agreed to in Eritrea, the northernmost province, which is already functioning as a separate entity. In mid-

1993, the Eritreans are planning a United Nations referendum that will most likely confirm and legalize Eritrean independence. In the Ethiopian capital, a val-

ley of ramshackle iron-roofed houses and some dilapidated high-rises, the most obvious difference since the fall of Colonel Mengistu is government-sanctioned dehate in coffee shops, on television and in the newspapers.

After a 17-year era of Stalinesque fear, people are talking and grumbling, often on ethnic grounds. The previously dor-mant university is abuzz with

But against this backdrop of new-found expression, there is increased banditry in the city and countryside, mostly by destitute members of the demobilized, 500,000-member Mengistu

This insecurity will be aggra-vated, several Ethiopian and Western economists said, by the government's disappointing economic plan. Announced last month, the long-awaited plan allowed for the privatization of trading but left the rest of the already barely functioning economy, including the state farms, in the hands of the bankrupt gov-

This failure to make any serious commitment to economic change may jeopardize much of the promised two-year package of \$500 million from the World Bank, an Ethiopian economist

familiar with the plan said. Mr. Meles's case with the World Bank was not helped, Western diplomats said, when his two chief economic advisers, Kasu Ilaia and Wanwossen Kebede, two loyalists from the Tigrean insurgency, appeared to be unreconstructed Marxists. Mr. Kasu's professional background is plant science not finance, they

UN Chief Plans Summit Meeting

The Associated Press

PARIS - Leaders of the 15 countries belonging to the UN Security Council will meet Jan. 31 for their first summit meeting under the direction of the new secretarygeneral. Butros Butros Ghali.

Mr. Butros Ghali informed President François Mitterrand in talks here that the meeting in New York would coincide with the end of Britain's six-month council presi-

Pierre Morel, diplomatic adviser to the French president, said after the talks that Mr. Butros Ghali hopes to discuss a broad program for his five-year term. Subjects would include support of democratic institutions, preventive diplomacy, and how to reinforce peace and security in the world following the end of the Cold War,

CHINESE: Village's Upscale Life

(Continued from page 1)

leader, Daquizhuang combined the two positions into one. That offi-cial is also chief executive of the holding company owning all village enterprises, suggesting that the village is actually one giant company. The chief of Daquezhuang, Yu Zuomin, 62, also has a seat on an advisory council to the central gov-criment in Beijing. Mr. Yu lives more like a tycoon than a Commu-nist official, and when his son mar-

ried recently, the wedding and gifts, which included a new house,

"much better off than the middle-

steel processing enterprise that re-

ported earnings of nearly \$5.5 mil-

lion last year, 10 percent of the

2,100 employees are from Daquiz-

huang, and most of them hold posi-

tions in senior management. Lin

Yunzhang, a villager who studied mathematics at Tranjin University

and returned to become a senior

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Mr. Sun, who went away to a

personnel officer, is only 27.

than local people.

doesn't matter, but we must stand politically right," they quoted him as saying.

Around Asia

keep busy meeting people, both Nepalese and foreigners."

the early 1970s. He died in 1976

Arthur Highee



reportedly cost about \$275,000.

After visiting the United States last year, Mr. Yu remarked that take one of the highest positions in the village hierarchy, is only 22. While his annual salary is only Daqiuzhuang residents were \$890, Mr. Sun negotiates highpowered business deals over elaborate lunches and lives in a spacious four-bedroom apartment. Salaries are perhaps kept low to

class" of America, Mr. Sun said.

The village bank holds about \$5.5 million in savings, Mr. Sun avoid taxes. Last year, the village's said. As economic expansion creprofits from its enterprises came to ates work beyond what Daquuzhusing's 4,400 residents can manage themselves, the village has added at least 7,000 laborers from across the nearly \$15 million, with one-fourth of that amount going to the government in business taxes. Yet only a handful of the 4,400 nation, according to the official

villagers paid any personal income The laborers are paid by the piece for their work. While they are tax, for a total of about \$55,500. Income is sometimes distributed in also given housing, they have fewer opportunities for advancement the form of special perks like free cars for executives. Perhaps because guanxi, or busi-

At Wanquan Industrial Co., a ness connections and relationships with powerful officials, are so important in China, the village also made big donations to flood-stricken areas last year. Such contributions may also be intended to case criticism that Daquizhuang is too capitalist or too rich. The town has also invested mon-

ey in the village next door, whose lumpy dirt fields seem like a wasteland when compared with the revocational college and returned to fined buildings of Daqueshuang.

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'Mississippi Burning' Banned by Beijing

China's chief film censor has banned a U.S. motion picture dealing with the 1960s civil rights movement on the grounds that it shows the forces of American justice in too good a light. Chinese sources said this week.

Tian Congming, deputy minister in charge of cinema at the Ministry of Film, Radio and Television, refused to approve the Oscar-nominated film "Mississippi Burning" because it "sang the praises of the American government and Federal Bureau of Investiga-They quoted Mr. Tian as

adding. As such, it is not suitable for a Chinese audience." "Mississippi Burning," a 1988 film directed by Alan Parker, is the story of two FBI agents who travel to the southern state in the early 1960s to

investigate the killing of three civil rights activists. Mr. Tian, a former Communist Party general secretary for Tibet, went on to criticize Chi-

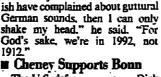
na's Film Bureau for paying too

much attention to economic returns at the expense of political ideology, the sources said. "Even if we lose money, it

Since losing absolute power in an uprising that restored de-mocracy to Nepal in 1990 after a 30-year interval, King Birendra says he now has more spare time but still manages to keep busy. "I have more time for my family and the time I spend is more free of other preoccupations," the Eton-educated king, 47, told the weekly Independent newspaper in his first interview since becoming a constitutional monarch. He added, "I seem to

A vast hall commemorating Zhou Enial was opened in the Chinese prime minister's hometown of Huaran in Jiangsu Province this week on the 15th anniversary of his death. The centerpiece is a 5-meter (16.5foot) white marble statue of Zhou, who was instrumental in negotiating China's return to the international community in

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A Controversial Hong Kong Museum

By Ginger Danto ONG KONG - On prime real estate bordering Hong Kong's densely skyscrapered Kowloon side sits a sparse collec-tion of buildings distinguished by their mass and mostly windowless facades. Among these pristine structures in the new Cultural Center stands a turn-of-the-century clock tower — the last vestige of the Canton-bound railroad that ran through this site,

To many, the architectural juxtaposition symbolizes Hong Kong, where ancient tradition and modern technology mix in everyday life. To realtors, however, the government-built complex on its waterfront esplanade represents a waste of lucrative property, while to the arts community, the project fulfills a need in a culturally hungry land-

The charged context is fitting for the Hong Kong Museum of Art. whose inauguration last month completed the complex that includes a space museum and performing arts center. As the museum's first permanent home since its inception in 1962, the \$30 million building inherits a controversial

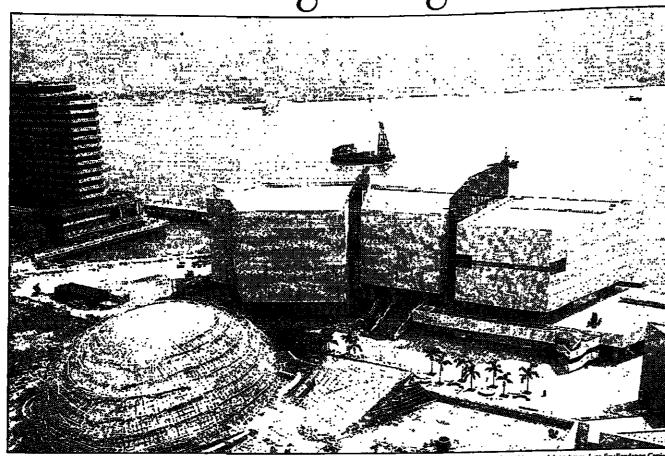
The museum originated in the upper floors of city hall on Hong Kong Island. Largely due to government emphasis on performing wider, tourist-driven public than visual art, the museum had to wait out the design competition and construction before vacating its cramped quarters.

"It was very frustrating," said the Chinese-born chief curator, Lawrence Tam, who joined the museum in 1971 and helped build a perma-nent collection of Chinese antiquities and fine art, historical pictures and Hong Kong contemporary art.

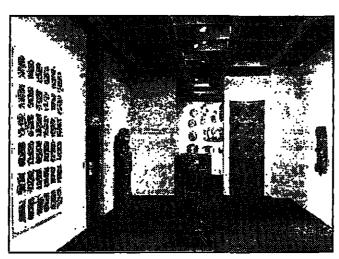
At city hall we had so little space. We rotated exhibits constantly to keep the public's interest."

From his spacious office in the new museum, which has about 17,500 square meters (188,000 square feet), the harbor view takes in his former city hall quarters. Tam has dismissed the protracted and often bitter battles of the past in order to devote himself to a space, staff and public which has grown tenfold. In addition, he now faces the frustration of others notably factions of Hong Kong's art world who expected an institution devoted to the region's rich ethnography.

um's choice of contemporary French art to inaugurate the special



The exterior of the new Hong Kong Museum of Art; below, "Too French," the controversial opening show.



work of 21 artists working in France, from Cesar to Sophie

It proved too exotic for many of the locals, who considered the ex-

hibit inappropriate as an opener. thnography. "I have nothing against 'Too One sore point was the muse-French,' but it could have come at any time," said Henk Hoppener, director of The Touchstone Galexhibit gallery. The show, titled lery. "The new museum missed an

pounded the disappointment of as paper-thin imperial tea ware or a Hong Kong artists who com- Ming dynasty ceramic Buddha plained that the museum fails to poised on a blue-glazed lotus, hun-

that native artists are split roughly manship from the into two schools — one using Chito the early 1900s. Too French," features the eclectic opportunity to open with some- nese media and another incorpo-

rating Western ideas. "This was true in the '70s, when the museum established this direction, but those categories are outdated." said Choi Yan-chi, whose video installations represent the kind of innovative artwork unrecognized by the muse-

We waited a long time for this museum for Hong Kong art only to find that the one contemporary gallery - less than one fifth the overspace — is 20 years behind." said Choi, one of a group of artists petitioning the government to build an independent contemporary art museum. If it has failed the present, the

museum has nevertheless done justice to the past, with a world-class collection spanning centuries of Chinese art and artifacts from Guangdong, the southern China thing far more appropriate, like province nearest Hong Kong. From bamboo brush pots and cricket cages, to such masterpieces represent them, despite a gallery dreds of objects fashioned for rituassigned to local contemporary art. al. religious and daily use illustrate The display reflects Tam's view the versatility of Chinese craftsmanship from the Neolithic period

um's Chinese painting and calligra-phy collection comprises more than 3,000 pieces, of which less than a third are shown. Highlighting major schools and masters from the Ming dynasty to the present, the ink brush compositions on paper scrolls offer myriad interpretations on the favored theme of nature. Western influence apparent by the turn of the century lends a realism to works by artists who studied

abroad.

The West also came to Hong Kong, which served as the gateway to China in the 18th and 19th centuries. The museum's historical pictures present a vivid recording of this period by Chinese and European artists. The works also represent an artistic cross-fertilization between East and West that Tam seeks to continue today.

"A lot of important Chinese artists studied in France and brought back the French influence in the way they paint," he said. "By bringing the latest French art here we're actually following a strong cultural tradition, just one many people are not aware of."

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Warhols, on Loan, Face Freeze Damage The Associated Press

PRAGUE - Graphics by the late American pop artist, Andy Warhol, on exhibition in Slovakia, are in danger of suffering irreparable damage from freezing temperatures, a newspaper reported hinday

Twelve of the 13 graphics exhibited in Warhol's native Medzilaborce, a small town in eastern Slovakia, may be damaged by insufficient heating in the local museum, the Rude Pravo daily said.

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Met Devotes New Galleries to a Decorative Epoch

By Rita Reif
New York Times Service

EW YORK — If visitors to the new galleries of 19th-century European sculpture and decorative arts at the Metropolitan Museum of Art would itemize their favorite objects, probably no two lists

"It would even be true of the lists I'd make on different days," said James David Draper, the curator in charge of the items in the new Iris and B. Gerald Cantor galleries, three permanent spaces named for the donors. The 410 objects on view were chosen by Draper, a European sculpture specialist, and Clare Le Corbeiller, the museum's curator of European ceramics, jewelry and silver.

Glittering displays of neoclassical jewelry, neo-Gothic clocks, neo-medieval furniture, neo-Renaissance vessels and neo-rococo gilded armchairs document the parade of revival styles that spanned the century, beginning in 1815, when the Bourbons were restored to power, and ending with the flow-ering of Art Nouveau about 1900.

The 19th century's exploitation of surface decoration, which some critics consider excessive, is seen in the silvered bronze reliefs by Emmanuel Frémiet of Paris on a grandiose cabinet from 1867. A plaque dominating the facade recalls the defeat of Atula the Hun by the Merovingians in 451. Enriching the corners, crest and base are shimmer-ing images of entwined snakes, ox heads, hoofs and a winged monster-insect.

Another tour de force is a silver-and-gold French clock from 1881, a miniature Gothic cathedral awash with diamonds, amethysts and enamel by Lucien Falize, a Paris goldsmith and jeweler. More than half the items on view are being

exhibited at the museum for the first time, and some were added to the collection as recently as last month. Several showcases focus on a style, a country, a major designer or a material. The popularity of white marble statuary in the first half of the 19th century is documented in

allegorical studies and in busts of aristocrats, in-

cluding an arresting one with sausage curls that

depicts Queen Marie-Amélie, the wife of Louis

Philippe, made in 1841 by François-Joseph Bosio.

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knucklelike carved arms; Leon Kann's porcelain coffee set with stalklike handles and realistic insects on the lids, and René Lalique's fantasy necklace of enamels, gold, opals and amethysis that combines sensuous images of insects and women. Also in this section are dozens of bronze medals

that anticipated modernism.

and plaques, some of them the work of the Art Nouveau medalist Alexandre Charpentier. think all those things have been in the hands of numismatists for too long." Draper said. THE galleries present some 19th-century

"Many of these things are not especially impor-tant," said Draper, "But they are telling — elo-quent without necessarily saying it all." One mod-est and stunning piece is the black onyx cameo with a frost-white Medusa carved on its surface.

Among the more sophisticated pieces are the

late-19th-century works of Christopher Dresser, a

Glasgow-born designer and botanist of Yorkshire

background, whose objects combined many influ-

Dresser designs on view include a Japanese-styled

silver coffee service, two medieval-inspired earth-

enware vessels, a porcelain pitcher with an up-

turned mouth derived from a pre-Columbian form

and a sleekly styled silver-plated brass toast rack

"We needed to end with a bang." Draper said, "and Art Nouveau was the only way to do it as a complete stylistic statement." Included are Anto-

nio Gaudi's exuberantly curved walnut chair with

"He had antennae out to there," Draper said.

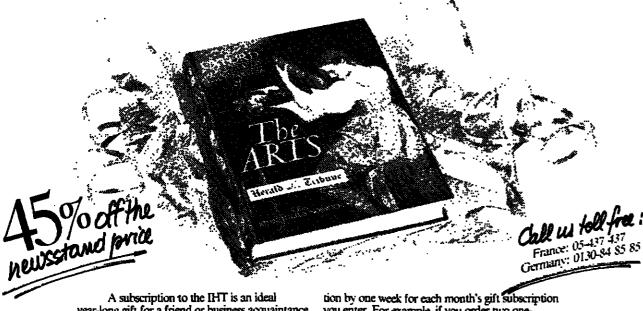
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items that have been exhibited for decades as precursors of 20th-century styles. "One can't help having modern "But I would hate to have us doing just the

precedents that were set for modernism. We were obliged to provide that, and Dresser was the ideal vehicle. But we also saw the need to set the stage for other developments, including the American Arts and Crafts style that was influenced by al those things coming out of Europe."

Among the forerunners of the arts and crafts style in the United States is a pair of nesting French candlesticks with spiked tops, "Aren't they nifty?" Draper said of these late-19th-century items. "So much more convenient for traveling."

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Sinister Times: Mystery and Violence in Making of England

International Herald Tribune ONDON - Few art exhibitions have the power to grip from start to finish with a mix of mystery and novelty, of symbols and inscriptions one would like to decipher but cannot, and rarely seen objects dragged out of remote museums and churches. "The Making of England: Anglo-Saxon Art and Culture A. D. 600-900," at the British Museum until March 8, is one of those.

In the catalogue's historical introduction, Nicholas Brooks sums up what little is known of the events that ushered in Anglo-Saxon Britain. In 410, the Roman authority pulled out.

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With the troops being withdrawn and the cities instructed to provide for their own defense, these were doomed. They disintegrated, the civil service vanished overnight, and Latin fell out of use. Britain reverted to the language of its Celtic population. "British" or "Primitive Welch" as historians will it

Welsh," as historians call it.
The Angles started pouring in from what is now northern Germany and Saxon mercenaries were called in from the same area to fight off the former. When fed inadequate rations, the Saxons struck an alliance with the enemy. By 441-442, if a chronicler from Gaul - presentday France — is to be trusted, the Anglo-Saxon conquest of much of Celtic Britain had taken

The next 150 years must have been as sinister as they are obscure. One hears about a big British victory at "Mons Badonicus," which has yet to be identified, probably about A. D. 500. Half a century later the conquest, checked for a while, gathered steam. The Celtic language was stamped out in the low country of Britain, the population probably enslaved — "Weath" (Welshman), as Britons are called in Old English, is also the common word for "slave."

Paganism dislodged Celtic Christianity and gave the days of the week names that English retains. Tuesday and Wednesday were those of the war gods Trw and Woden, Thursday was dedicated to the thunder god, Thor, Friday to a goddess, Frig. But Christianity trickled back. In 596, Rome sent 40 monks to spread the good word in Kent in 634 Oswald, who had taken refuge among the Celts of western Scotland, came back to Northumbria, seized the throne and a year later was calling in monks from Christian Ireland to Lindisfarne to convert the diverse communities he ruled. The movement accelerated. By the end of the seventh century nearly all the royal courts were Christian, monasteries and bishoprics were springing up all over. What makes the exhibition fascinating is



the visual evidence of the slow transition from the Germanic religions to Christianity in the England that took shape over the runs of Celtic

Britain, with the help of Christian Celts. At first the process was barely noticeable. A gold pendant of the early seventh century with gamets set in cellwork is decorated with three whirling eagle-headed arms over concentric rows of small ace-of-spade-like escutcheons in gold filigree. The patterns may be borrowed from the Iranian world but they are utterly transformed by Anglo-Saxon aesthetics. Another related pendant shows the Christian cross similarly disguised — some would even ques-tion its Christian character. But a third related pendant is shaped as a cross of which one arm is differentiated while a fourth pendant, which explicitly Christian. It incorporates, in the middle of a cross, a gold coin from Byzantium which shows the busts of Heraclius and Heraclius Constantine on one side and a Christian

The connection with the East is hardly surprising — the liturgy in Christian Ireland was that of Coptic Egypt. The connection is maintained in the extraordinary finds from Sutton Hoo. Two silver spoons inscribed with Christian owners' names in Greek lettering. Saulos and Paulos, are probably Syrian (which would explain why the scribe does not seem fully at ease with the Hellenized names). So are, clearly, 10 silver bowls not in the exhibition, near which the spoons were found. The entire "Sutton Hoo differentiated while a fourth pendant, which falls in sequence with the previous ones, is monograph by Angela Care Evans recently

published by the museum reminds us. It provides evidence of antiquarian interest. One of the most beautiful Celtic bowls in existence. earlier by several centuries and repaired with Germanic style silver patches, was part of the find. This was unfortunately also left out of the show, although it is in the British Museum.

Even stranger is a complex object that the catalogue refers to as a "sceptre" in quotes. while the label drops them. No one so far is quite sure of its nature. A long stone shaft, square in section and expanding slightly in the middle, is carved at each extremity with human masks, each one differing from the other. At one end, it is encased in a bronze openwork cuplike stand. At the other end it is fitted with a bronze stand supporting an iron ring topped by a bronze stag recovered from Sutton Hoo long

Carved whalebone Anglo-Saxon casket found in France, and iron sword, a recent find in Yorkshire.

after the whetstone came to light. They do not

seem to belong together and have every appearance of a "marriage" made in antiquity. As the exhibition progresses, other strange pieces turn up. A helmet made from forged iron plaques is related to Viking helmets from Sweden, with its attached cheek pieces and the protective mail coming down over the neck. An inscription hammered on the brass bands that cut across at a right angle on top gives an explicit profession of Christian faith in abbreviated Latin, Oddly, it reads from right to left like Aramaic or Arabic. Only the name betrays the owner's Anglo-Saxon identity, "Oshere the Christian" (rather than "Christ," as the abbreviation "XPI" has been read).

Weirdness peaks with a whalehone casket which turned up at Auzon in the Auvergne in

1867. Augustus Franks, a curator and collector, bought it from a Paris dealer to present it to the museum. The front wall, divided into two panels, illustrates the Adoration of the Magi. The left side shows Romulus and Remus nurtured by the wolf and the back panel, the capture of Jerusalem by Titus, when still a general, in A. D. 70. The right side is inspired by Germanic legend as is the top, where a Germanic hero. Egil, is named in Latinized form. The long captions over the scenes mix old English and Latin, the former in runes, the latter in the insular version of the Roman alphabet.

Not much survives of the sculpture. What does is tantalizing. A huge animal head from St. Peter's in Monkwearmouth, County Durham, possibly the top of a pole that once partly framed the back of a throne, dates from the eighth century. So does, perhaps, the tapering shaft of a cross carved in low relief with a character walking with a dancing step. It anticipates some Romanesque developments by three centuries.

DD a few famous manuscripts from the British Library — the Lindis-farne Gospel, a masterpiece of purely Celtic art produced in the eighth century - or the Vatican, the show would be a sheer enchantment, were it not for a display that sometimes makes it hard to see the pieces. The Ormside bowl in gilded silver, one of the gems of eighth-century Anglo-Saxon art, carried all the way from the Yorkshire Museum in York is set at such an angle that the admirably stylized birds in low relief can at best be surmised. There are curious omissions - the wonderful seventh-century hanging bowl with stylized bird attachments from the same museum - and hideous copies make up for some, such as the cross in the Salzburg Diocesan Museum.

The catalogue will stay as a lasting regret. Indispensable as the latest update on the sub-ject, its photography is often awful, the layout haphazard, the typography pedestrian. The texts written by a host of contributors are highly readable in a few cases and hard to digest in many more. Several entries run on endlessly, trotting out what the eve sees. The excuse is surely "scholarliness." A chronology in tabulated form would have helped readers who do not have the names of Aethelberht of Kent or Raedwald of East Anglia at their fingertips. The museum is desperately strapped for money, like every art institution in the land, "Sponsoring" is not quite enough when it comes to "The Making of England," nor saving its culture from going to the dogs. Alas, poor Yorick,

Wall Art, or Portraits of Teenagers

By Georgia Dullea:

EW YORK - A couple of years ago, a photographer named Adri- e enne Salinger began studying the faces of teenagers in shopping malls, movie lines and fast-food restaurants around Syracuse, New York.

"I'd approach interesting looking kids and ask if I could photograph them in their bedrooms," she said. "But they had to promise not to clean the rooms." Funny, said the teenagers, we were just about to clean our rooms. Oh well, anything for art.

said the photographer. "Not only was I telling the kids to leave the rooms as they were, I was telling them how terrific they looked."

With an occasional mother hovering in the doorway, Salinger managed to set up her tripod and 1,000 watts of light in the modest bedrooms of 61 teenagers. In an earlier West Coast project, she photographed 75 young

The rooms, like their occupants, are studies in contradiction: a girlie magazine say, juxtaposed with a shelf of model airplanes; heavy metal posters and Snoopy lamps; baby dolls and birth control pills. "When you're coming of age," Salinger said, "you feel a lot of things at once and most of them conflict and all are represented in your room."

Her subjects were all about 16. Many would soon be moving out of their rooms, at least for a time. "Once you go away to school for the first time, you start to edit yourself," she said. "You have a sense of your public and private personnes. But you don't at that age. So, it's all there—everything you have ever felt anything about — crammed into that little room."

An exhibition, "Teenagers in Their Bed-rooms," runs through Feb. 9 at the Elsa Mott Ives Gallery. Another exhibition of the Salinger bedroom series is at the Stephen Wirtz Gallery in San Francisco.

Besides a dozen huge color portraits by Salinger, a professor at Syracuse University, tographs on the same theme by Denise Mar-

cotte of Cambridge, Massachusetts In personalizing their spaces, teenagers in the photos have plastered their walls in a changing display of pop cultural images. Fred's room is a montage of faces from magazine covers — models, singers and sports heroes — with snapshots of Fred popping up.

Zelig-like, every so often. Aime, a bit of a Valley Girl, has hung an enormous "SHOP" sign on one wall, along with a photo of a Seventh Avenue street sign

and Cosmopolitan magazine headlines.

Donna's room is almost a live-in beauty shop with cosmetics labels pasted to the shiny aqua walls and 30 shades of nail polish lined up on dresser tops.

In David's room, a blowup of Superman covers the ceiling as David, who shaved his head for the photo, sits cross-legged on the bed eating a box of Fannie Farmer chocolates.

While the teenagers' walls proclaim allegiance to rock groups and ecological causes, their hearts hold secrets. Diaries must be hidden from parents, and treasures kept out of the hands of brothers and sisters.

In one evocative image by Marcotte, a sullen-looking boy stands with his back to the window. A padlock dangles from a beer barrel, which has been split and fitted with shelves for his music tapes. The cabinet below bears an even heavier lock. Nobody messes with his stuff.

¬ HE subjects in the show come mostly from lower-income and middle-income families. While some of the girls have not given up slumber parties and stuffed animals, three of them are cuddling their own babies.

"Some kids were streetwise and hooked into stuff that wasn't healthy," said Salinger. adding that one youth, a drug dealer, flashed a gun for the camera.

In a common pattern, several teens have moved out of their original bedrooms and into the attic or the basement. In this way, they assert their independence.

They have the illusion of being in their own apartments while still under their parents'

Huge U.S. Show in Turin

By Dennis Redmont Associated Press

URIN - One of the largest exhibitions of 20th-century U.S. art ever assembled in Europe opened Friday inside a former automobile factory.

"American Art 1930-1970" consists of more than 200 works from major U.S. museums and private collections on both sides of the Atlantic, ranging from a life-like roast beef and fruit pies fashioned in the 1931 painting "Cow's Skull: Red White and Blue."

The five-story building with a test-track roof will also host "American Utopia" — film, theater and music performances until next spring, while rock and rap stars sing in other local arenas. Martha Graham's last ballet, "Maple Leaf Rag," choreographed a few months before her death last April, was scheduled by her dance company this weekend at the Teatro Regio.

Giovanni Agnelli, chairman of the Turin-based Fiat auto company, which sponsored the exhibit, and the U.S. ambassador, Peter F. Seochia, inaugurated the huge, loft-like space broken up by white opaque walls and a maze of pillars designed by the architect Renzo Piano.

Works in the exhibition date from the Depression of the 1930s. The exhibit follows painting and sculpture through Social Realism. the Precisionists, and the Abstract Expressionists, known as the New York school. The most recent works come from the Minimalist and Conceptualist schools.

The Metropolitan Museum of New York is the major contributor, with 19 works, followed by the Museum of Modern Art and the Whitney Museum of American Art.

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ECONOMIC SCENE

Coordination Isn't Always **Best for World Economy**

By Lawrence Malkin International Revold Tribune

EW YORK — Twice in the postwar period, divergent economic tracks for the United States and Germany have led to a world financial train wreck. Once again they are pursuing different goals, and Japan has just been enlisted in an American growth strategy focused on Europe.
But this time the damage is more likely to be limited, and probably to Europe itself. Few economists and policy makers believe the world's principal economic powers are on a collision course now. Furthermore, there is a good argument against trying to coordinate the world economy back on track into a boom, however much politicians want one as elections approach this year in America and Enrope.

The divergence became unmistakable just before Christmas when the Bundesbank raised its key rates to postwar highs as a signal to the country's unions that it would not print money to validate their wage demands. Almost simultaneously, the Federal Reserve Board aggressively cut

U.S. room to cope with their very different problems. rates to shove the United States out of recession. This week Japan spotlighted its plans to increase public investment and lower interest rates in a joint declaration with President George Bush

Divergent policies

give Germany and the

success for his trip.

The president sent the Treasury's chief international official,
David C. Mulford, to visit his Group of Seven colleagues in
Europe seeking support for stimulus, with little success. France, Britain and Italy are tied to German policies through the Europe-an Monetary System. American officials and academics alike now see this linkage as unnecessarily exporting recession inside Europe but also see no way of helping the Europeans help

that allowed him to leave Tokyo with at least some semblance of

themselves.

C. Michael Abo, director of economic studies for the Council on Foreign Relations, said, "The main blocs are going their own ways. They have different decision-making systems with different objectives, and the Europeans in particular are in the process of developing their own. Right now, we don't know who to call if we want to coordinate with Europe. The Community in Brussels? The G-7 finance ministers? Or just the Bundesbank?"

HE LAST TIME the United States and Germany abandoned any sense of coordination was in the autumn of 1987. That led to the Wall Street stock market collapse that echoed around the world. And back in 1971, when Germany refused to swallow any more dollars from an economy weakened by the Vietnam War and let the Deutsche mark float upward, the result soon was the end of the Bretton Woods system of fixed exchange rates.

This time a divergence seems just the ticket. Different policies on interest rates give the Big Three scope to cope with their own problems, because monetary policy affords room for maneuver that two of them lack in fiscal policy, now stalemated by politics in Germany and the United States.

The result of this is a lower dollar, which suits everybody, said J. Paul Horne, international economist at Smith Barney, Harris Upham in Paris. "The Germans like it because it helps lower their inflation, the Japanese because it helps lower their trade surplus, and the Americans because it helps increase their

Between the U.S. and German central banks, if not necessarily their governments, there seems to be an understanding that each will do its own thing for the present, a point stressed privately at the Fed when it cut rates last December. There is nothing inherently wrong in this. In the view of those with long experience in international economic-coordination, uniform policies of

CURRENCY RATES

Bundesbank Holds the Line on Rates

By Richard E. Smith International Herald Tribune

ing a call by the United States and Japan at their Tokyo summit meeting for action to stimulate economic growth, stood its ground on Friday and said it would not lower interest rates any time soon.

Vice President Hans Tietmeyer said in a speech that German rates "have to remain" relatively high for the foreseeable future." It was the first major statement by a Bundesbank official since President George Bush and Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa appealed Wednes-day for what they called an international

growth strategy.

Although Mr. Tietmeyer did not mention the Tokyo initiative explicitly, he acknowledged that the Bundesbank's decision before Christmas to raise key lending rates to record postwar levels had sparked criticism "at home as well as

His comments, to the Berlin Chamber of Commerce and Industry, come amid a rising chorus of calls by Germany's other principal trading partners in the Group of Seven industrial nations for Germany to lower its rates.

Germany's EC partners are dealing with singgish economies, but because their currencies are linked to a stronger Deutsche mark they are unable to boost growth by lowering rates unless Germany leads the way. The German

FRANKFURT — The Bundesbank, reject. Hurd Bars Devalution As Pound Slips Further

> Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON — Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd rejected on Friday any idea of a devaluation of the pound sterling, as the currency dipped below its effective floor in the exchange-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System.

> "Devaluation, both overtly and by stealth, stored up trouble for the future." Mr. Hurd said in remarks prepared for delivery to the Walsall Chamber of Commerce. "It encouraged compla-cency and imported inflation."

Even one devaluation would put at risk the

hard-won confidence which we have built in the markets," he said. The pound fell to \$1.8015.

stance is especially frustrating for the United States, Britain and France, which are all entering election seasons and where laggard economies promise to be a central issue.

The German central bank raised both the Lombard and discount rates by an unexpectedly high margin of one-half point to respective levels of 9.75 percent and 8 percent on Dec. 19. But Mr. Tietmayer said that the decision had been "necessary to limit monetary growth and

Braving Trade Gales, GATT Slogs On

also to send a signal" to the unions to cut wage demands and to the government to cut back

spending.
The Bundesbank has long been pressuring both the unions and the government since high wage increases and heavy public spending are especially inflationary when the country is already wrestling with the costs of reunification.

He warned further that the central bank's monetary policy could be "more overburdened than it already is" if unions and the government fail to heed the bank's warnings in coming years, implying that it may have no choice but to keep rate levels high for some time.

Many German economists have hoped that the Bundesbank might begin to ease rates in the last half of this year if inflation peaks in the next several months. German government and industry officials worry that Germany is also on the edge of recession and is being seriously weakened by the Bundesbank's rate policy.

Finance Minister Theo Waigel on Thursday directly criticized the rate increase. The chairman of Germany's Council of Economic Advisers has said he doubts the half percentage point rise in the two key rates was necessary.

Mr. Tietmeyer did not refer directly to the calls by Mr. Bush and Mr. Miyazawa for greater growth but said that "most of our European neighbors" had shown understanding for the recent German rate rise "even if their own rate

Russia Seeks Delay in Paying **Interest on Debt**

MOSCOW - Russia will seek year's breakup of the Soviet Union. more time to pay interest on its foreign debt because other Com- republics to participate in those monwealth states are failing to payments," he said. come up with their share of the cash, the chairman of the Russian Central Bank said Friday.

The official. Georgy Matyukhin. said Russia would ask for understanding at a meeting in Frankfurt Tuesday with a committee of Western banks. "We are asking foreign banks to wait a little bit until we solve our internal problems," he said in an interview.

But he said no formal request for a deferral of interest payments would be lodged. "We need some breathing space to raise some funds," he said. "We started the New Year with a zero level of foreign exchange."

Western governments and banks have agreed to a deferral of repayments on debt principal to allow former Soviet republics in the Commonwealth of Independent States extra time to implement economic reforms.

But these agreements specified that the former republics should continue paying interest. It was not immediately clear what effect, if any, there would be on the principal agreements if interest were not kept up to date.

Mr. Matyukhin criticized other republics for failing to contribute to servicing the \$60 to \$70 billion in

foreign debt inherited after last We are trying to persuade our

He appealed for understanding from creditors. "If they do not understand, then we have no other way than to declare our Vneshekonombank bankrupt." he said. Vneshekonombank, the former Soviet Bank for Foreign Economic Affairs, has responsibility for for-

eign debt servicing.
Mr. Matyukhin said there had already been delays in repaying debt interest but he gave no details. "We shall do our best but not everything depends on us, because, as we agreed, Russia must cover only 61 percent of foreign debt," he said in reference to an accord reached last month by most republics on sharing Soviet debt and as-sets. "The other 39 percent must be covered by the republics, but unfortunately they do not seem so willing to do that," he said.

Erik Ipsen of the International Herald Tribune reported from Lon-

The news that Russian authorities are bereft of hard currency came as no huge surprise. "The acuteness of the situation has developed rather more rapidly than

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al Herald Tribune Some of those outside the negotiations echoed Mr. Dunkel's hopes for an agreement

By Tom Redburn

PARIS - Rising discord among the three major economic powers still threatens to un-dermine multinational trade talks in Geneva despite an agreement announced Friday to keep negotiating for another few months, analysts say.

Arthur Dunkel, head of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, said at a news conference he wanted to conclude the fiveyear-long Uruguay Round by mid-April. Trade negotiators are to meet Monday to endorse the plan to continue negotiations on the basis of a draft treaty presented last month by Mr. Dunkel.

But the latest in a long line of agreements to keep the Uruguay Round going leaves unresolved many of the fundamental differces that divide Europe, Japan and the

"What is happening in GATT shows just how stretched the global political-economic fabric is becoming," said Jeffrey Garten, a former White House adviser under Presidents Nixon and Ford who is now an investment banker at Blackstone Group in New York. "There is a real risk of a major rupture."

Mr. Garten, author of a forthcoming book. "A Cold Peace: America, Japan, Germany and the Struggle for Supremacy," argues that the troubles that plague the trade talks are just the beginning of a round of bitter dis-putes in which politicians in the major countries will seek to blame their economic prob-lems at home on other nations. Other examples include President George Bush's trip to Asia, in which the White House sought to pin much of the onus for the U.S. recession

In an atmosphere of lagging global growth, international economic policy is already being transformed, Mr. Garten says, from its traditional focus on overall trade and currency adjustments to far more detailed fingerpointing about specific tax and regulatory policies that were once considered exclusively domestic concerns. The postwar liberal trade framework established under GATT may not survive the shift.

"As domestic and international interests collide, it is a recipe for a tremendous amount of political friction in the United States, Japan and Europe," he said.

In Geneva, Mr. Dunkel acknowledged that the fate of the trade negotiations remained uncertain. "It is a very delicate exercise," he said. But he stressed an upbeat message, saying that most nations had agreed to follow the outlines of his 450-page draft agreement.

Mr. Dunkel added that the round should finish before Easter, which falls April 19. this spring. "I think we can reach a successful conclusion to the Uruguay Round," said Harry Freeman, head of the Washingtonbased MTN Coalition, which represents thousands of U.S. companies that support the trade talks. "I'm basing that on intuition, prayer and native optimism," he added.

But in Brussels, where EC officials had been cheered in November when Mr. Bush sharply scaled back U.S. demands for cutbacks in farm subsidies, doubts are growing that a compromise can be found.

"Just before Christmas, we were so close to a deal," said one senior EC official. "But it has been downhill ever since."

Germany's vow last fall to break the GATT deadlock by pressing for major changes in the EC's Common Agriculture Policy has still not managed to overcome firm opposition from France and lesser objections from some other countries.

The Dunkel draft, EC officials say, would prevent them from relying on the preferable method of direct payments to farmers to

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Russia to Curb Ruble Rate

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispate MOSCOW - Russia plans to introduce an exchange rate for the ruble against the dollar that will be less advantageous for foreign investors than other, more market-oriented rates, the head of the republic's central bank

With the current exchange rate, "we have proposals from investment companies willing to buy our economy for nothing," Georgy Matyukhin said. "In order not to allow this kind of investment we will introduce a special rate of 8 or 10 rubles per dollar." The rate, aimed at foreign investors, compares with the central bank's

market-oriented tourist rate of 110 rubles per dollar and with the commercial rate of 55 rubles per dollar.

Describing the market rate of the ruble to the dollar as artificial, he said the ruble might rise against the dollar if Russia managed to curb monetary growth. Present market exchange rates were not stimulating production and they were preventing imports, he said.

(Reuters, AP)

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TOKYO - Another week of wild stock price gyrations has reinforced the view that the Tokyo stock market is trapped in a vicious circle that will keep it a volatile and dodgy place to invest for weeks, if not months to come.

Friday's plunge of 731.74 points, or 3.17 percent, in the key 225share stock Nikkei average marked the third session this week in which the average moved by more than 3 percent. It fell by 3.6 percent on Wednesday after rising by the same

U.S. automakers and Japanese officials still blame trade problems on each other. Page 13

percentage on Monday. For the week, the Nikkei lost 602 points to close Friday at 22,381.90. Increasingly, brokers say, the wild price movements are scaring

investors away and, in the process, making trading thinner and even more volatile. "It runs the risk of becoming even more of a crap shoot," said Paul Migliorato, a broker at Jardine Fleming Securities. Tokyo stock market have long been volatile, making Kabutocho, as the exchange's neighborhood in Tokyo is known, feel at times like Monte

Carlo With her archerists on the discount rate to 4.5 percent.

"The lesson seems to be that this Share price movements on the

Street, a more rational beast.

But volatility in Tokyo has grown to new heights recently as foreign and individual Japanese investors

between 21,100 and 24,200 points for several weeks, possibly as long as several months. Few expect the index to slip below 20,000 or suffer have withdrawn from the market, a meltdown. making volume sparse and giving
arbitragers unprecedented influrally, will come only after domestic ence. Arbitragers, traders who seek institutions that face redemptions

is an enormous amount," he said. With prices bobbing about, most investors are keeping their distance. "It's become virtually impossible to make true investments. so people are forced to chase specu-

The gyrations have become so wild, in fact, that some brokers fear the market may be spinning out of control, beyond the ability of authorities or institutions to manage. For instance last month, during another particularly volatile spell, the government sought to restrain arbitragers by tightening collateral re-quirements. But the effort backfired by scaring away more investors. Rumors of further tight-ening swept through the market on

Friday afternoon. Not surprisingly, factors that a week ago were seen as supporting the market — such as falling inter-est rates and the rising yen — have been quickly dismissed in the speculative fury. The Nikkei average ended the week slightly below its closing level on Dec. 27, just before

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SBCI Securities told Reuters.

to exploit short-lived price gaps be-tween futures contracts and the un-derlying cash market, have recently accounted for about 15 percent of all buying of the cash market, much end of the fiscal year on March 31.

of it focused on thinly traded shares comprising the Nikkei average, according to Craig Chudler, a strate-gist at UBS/Phillips & Drew. This

lative shares or play the futures."
Mr. Migliorato said.

nipulation can whipsaw Tokyo's
index in ways seldom seen on Wall

Brokers say trade is likely to remain volatile with the index boxed between 21,100 and 24,200 points

But stability, let alone a sustained

Maxwells Due to Testify

LONDON - Ian Maxwell, son of late Robert Maxwell, has agreed to join his brother Kevin at a British parliamentary inquiry into their father's collapsed media empire, political sources said Friday.

The brothers agreed to comply with a rarely used parliamentary order to appear before a social security committee on Monday to explain any role they had in diverting hundreds of millions of pounds from Maxwell-controlled pension funds, the sources said.

Meanwhile, British-based Macdouald & Co. Publishing was put

under the control of a court-appointed administrator as part of the break-up of Maxwell Communication Corp. Under the order, Macdonald gains protection from its creditors, allowing time to search for a buyer. The group, which has 283 employees, includes Futura and Sphere books.

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Rally Stumbles As Dow Loses 10

NEW YORK - Stock prices fell Friday as investors and traders used a rise in nonfarm payroll jobs in December as an excuse to take profits after a long rally.

The market needed a reason to correct and it got it," said Joseph Barthel, chief market strategist at

N.Y. Stocks

Fahnestock & Co. "Today's employment number put in question any more rate cuts. The Dow finished down 10.07

points at 3,199.46. It lost about two points for the week. Losing stocks outnumbered gainers 5 to 3. Volume slowed to about 238 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange from

Thursday's 291 million. In December, nonfarm payrolis rose by 31,000 compared with forecasts of a 70,000 decline. The unemployment rate rose to 7.1 per-

"Traders and investors have been looking for an excuse to sell stocks or back away," said Hugh ings estimates.

Johnson, chief investment officer at First Albany Corp. "That excuse came today in the rise in nonfarm

payrolls and the fall in bonds." That gave them the courage to sell." he added. "And in this mar-

ket, it takes courage to sell." Still, stocks were pushed briefly into positive ground by midafternoon comments from the Federal Reserve chairman, Alan Greenspan, that the central bank would take whatever steps necessary to ensure economic growth.

Shares of Sun Microsystems added 2 to 30%. Analysts at Kidder Peabody and Dean Witter raised their estimates.

Prudential Securities upgraded U.S. semiconductor makers to buy from hold. Among them, Intel Corp. closed off ¼ at 52¼, National Semiconductor added % to 7%, and Integrated Device Technology gained 1/8 to 61/8.

Intel rival Advanced Micro Devices climbed * to 194. Goldman Sachs reaffirmed a buy rating and raised first-quarter and 1992 earn-

JOBS: Unemployment Hits 7.1%

tion year when the administration courts a weaker dollar to promote jobs in export industries.

The monthly job figures are gathered from two sources: actual payroll reports from businesses. and a census of workers across the nation. The latter provides the unemployment figure, which is unusually low for this downturn because the baby bust in the 1970s produced fewer teenagers entering the labor market now

Further, the lingering nature of the slump has left 1.1 million peo-

Foreign Exchange

ple too discouraged to look for work, according to the monthly census. They are excluded from the denominator that produces the percentage, which has risen from 5.3 percent when the recession began. Since then 2.1 million the number have been forced out of work. 290,000 of them last month.

The figures were there to plague President George Bush as he re-turned to Washington from an Asian trip seeking export markets. The president said he was "disappointed" by the unemployment rate, and that he needed to "get going now with a growth agenda." He said it had to be "fiscally sound," and hinted that his State of the Union message late this month would concentrate on long-term

A closer examination of the employment statistics prepared for the Congressional Joint Economic Committee by William Barron, the acting commissioner of labor sta-

with widespread losses in key in dustries. Almost all were lost by workers with virtually no hope of being recalled, he said.

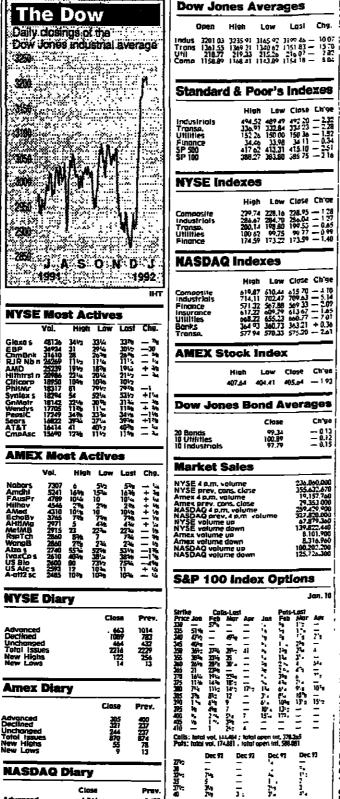
Transportation jobs fell in De-cember as two airlines closed down, and aircraft and auto sales fell. Auto workers total 100,000 below their pre-recession peak, with big losses still to come at General Motors. Retail trade was little changed after two months of losses totaling 140,000. Retailers hired fewer holiday employes than they did in 1990 and less than half the average for the 1980s, Mr. Barron reported.

What this foretells for the economy as a whole was certainly not hopeful. David Resler of Nomura Securities warned that "public sector employment cannot keep going up as private employment is going

Mr. Drury in Boston said the unemployment figures indicated that the recession had begun a second and different phase. The first was aggravated by leverage prob-lems of overindebted companies, whose woes have been alleviated by the Fed's cuts in interest rates. One sign of relief there was a slight gain of 4,000 workers in financial ser-

The dollar, which had shot up Thursday to close at 1.5605 Deutsche marks, rose a further 2 pfennig by Friday's close to 1.5845 DM. The dollar was also higher

against the yen, at 127.10 compared with 125.82 on Thursday; against the Swiss franc. at 1.4128 after 1.3925, and against the French franc, at 5.4075 after 5.3235. The pound was lower, at tistics, showed a soft labor market \$1.7885 compared with \$1.8160.



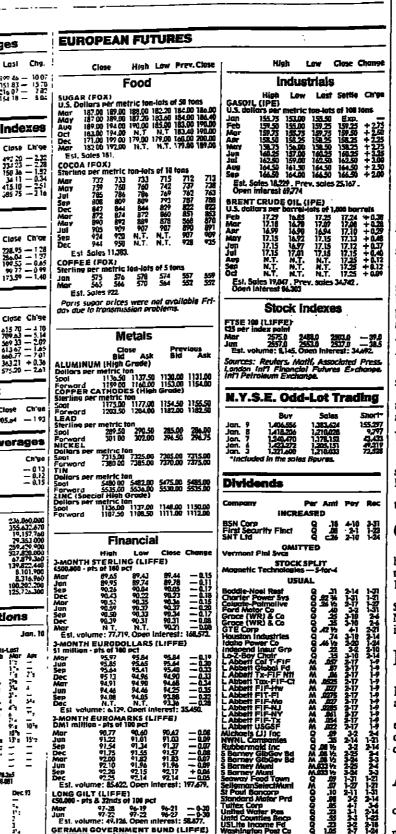
Parretti Is Released From Custody

SIRACUSA, Sicily - A court on Friday lifted a custody order that had kept Giancarlo Parretti in jail since Dec. 27 on charges of tax fraud, the financier's lawver said.

Mr. Parretti had been under investigation by judges in Rome and Sicily for alleged tax evasion in his Italian-based companies that the authorities estimated at 121 billion lire (\$102 million.)

The court placed no restrictions on Mr. travel by Parretti. He was released on Friday afternoon and was going to Rome, said his lawyer, Ettore Randazzo.

Mr. Parretti, financed largely by Crédit Lyonnais Bank Nederland, acquired MGM/UA Communications Co. in 1990. A judge in the state of Delaware upheld in December his dismissal as a director of the film studio by the bank.



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Ferruzzi to Pay Fine in Soy Dispute

CHICAGO (Reuters) — Ferruzzi Finanziaria SpA agreed to pay a \$2 million fine and resign its Chicago Board of Trade membership to settle a dispute stemming from July 1989 when it was ordered by the CBOT to

dispute stemming from July 1989 when it was ordered by the CBO? to liquidate its huge soybean positions, the exchange said.

According to a Board of Trade spokesman, Ferruzzi will pay a fine of \$1.65 million and resign its membership. Its subsidiary, Central Soya, will pay a fine of \$350,000 but retain its membership on the exchange. "This settlement puts the matter to rest," said the board's president. Thomas R. Donovan.

Swiss Panel to Question F-18 Deal

BERN (UPI) — A parliamentary committee Friday scheduled hearings on Switzerland's planned \$2.5 billion purchase of U.S. F-18 fighter jets after its chairman questioned whether the deal was necessary. Otto Schoch, head of the influential Political and Security Committee, said he wanted more information from the government before approving

the deal to buy 34 F-18 Hornet fighters.

A spokesman for McDonnell Douglas Corp., contractor for the plane, said he felt the committee's action in no way indicated Switzerland was backing away from the deal. "We fully expect a vote by the full parliament in March, and we fully expect that the full parliament will approve the sale." the company spokesman, Jim Reed, said.

Borden to Cut 1,300 Jobs Worldwide

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Borden Inc. said Friday it would cut 1,300 salaried jobs worldwide, citing brisk competition in the food business.

The restructuring will result in a pretax charge of \$70 million, equal to about \$43 million net, in the fourth quarter of 1991 to cover severance, relocation and other employee-related costs.

U.S. Approves Federated-Allied Plan

CINCINNATI (Reuters) — U.S. Bankruptcy Judge J. Vincent Aug said he would confirm Campeau Corp.'s Federated Department Stores Inc. and Allied Stores Corp. Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization plan.

Judge Aug's formal approval of the plan would clear the way for the two retail chains to emerge from bankruptcy on Feb. 3.

Carter Hawley Says Losses Widen

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc., which has been operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection for nearly a year, reported Friday a \$10.5 million loss for the four weeks ended Nov. 30, 1991, compared with a loss of \$6.7 million in November 1990. November sales for the 88-store chain were \$195.8 million, off from \$222.7 million for November 1990, but the company noted that sales in November were distorted by the calendar shift of part of the Thanksgiving weekend into December.

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N.Y. Times Revamps Business Unit

NEW YORK (NYT) -- A reorganization of business operations at The New York Times was announced Thursday by Lance R. Primis, president and general manager of the newspaper.

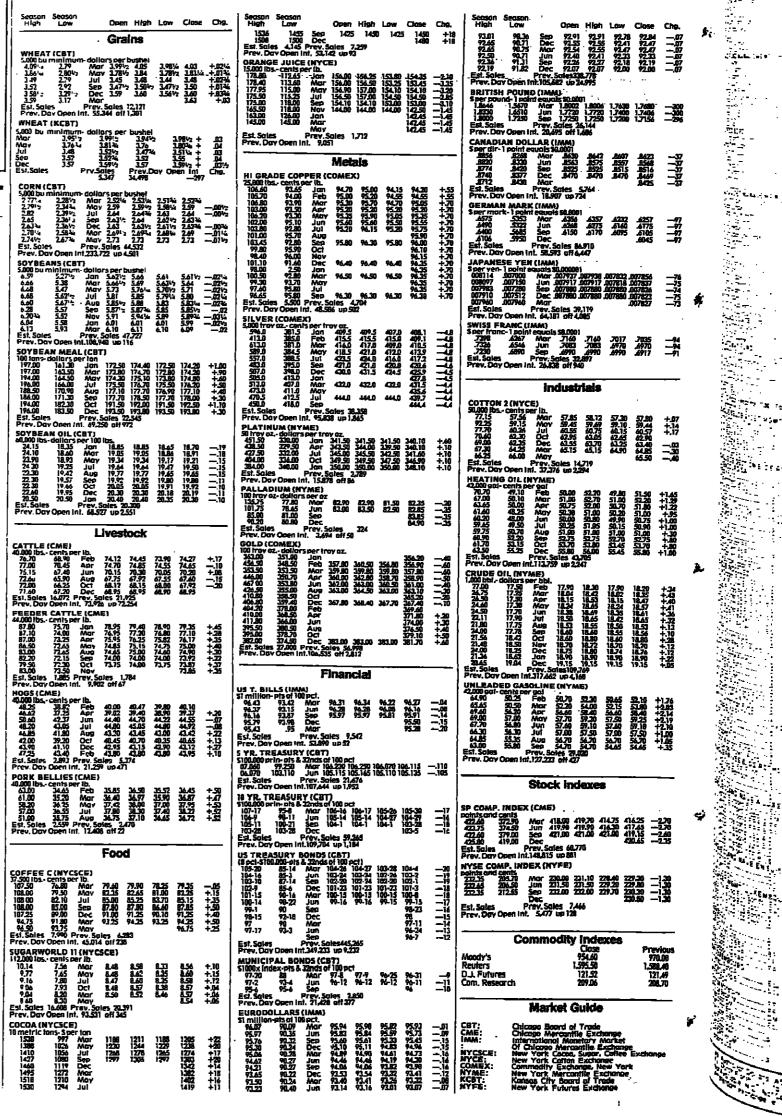
Mr. Primis said the new organization, to take effect on Monday, would

enable The Times' business staffs to increase client contacts, discover and develop business opportunities, redeploy people to enhance growth and create efficiencies.

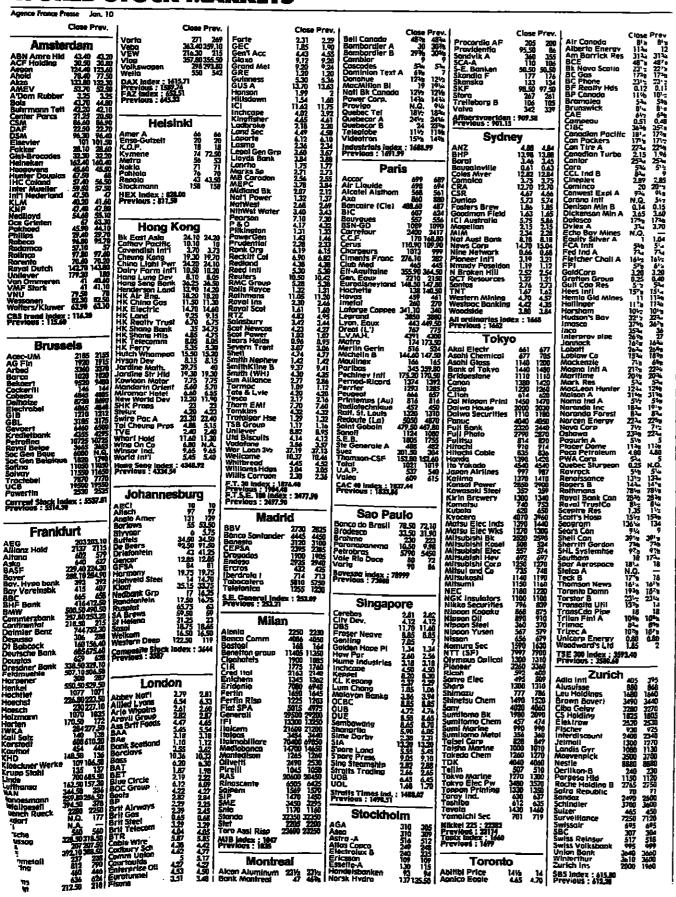
American Express Publication Folds

NEW YORK (Reuters) - NewYork Woman magazine suspended operations Friday, its owner. American Express Publishing Corp, said. The magazine was put up for sale in November, but a purchaser was never found, the company said. The magazine employed a full-time staff of 18, and efforts are under way to find jobs for them in other units of American Express, the company said.

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Black Sea, Baltic Oil Exports Slow

LONDON — Crude oil exports from the former Soviet Union's Black Sea and Baltic ports have ground to a halt due to administrative chaos over export licenses from the Russian Republic government, European oil traders said Friday.

Bad weather hit loadings over Christmas and the New Year, but now internal wrangling appears to be holding up exports.

"There has certainly been a problem with bad weather," said one Italian buyer. "But when the weather settled they didn't load because of export license problems. When the license problems were cleared up, they said there were customs problems."

The trader has had a tanker berthed at the Russian Black Sea port of Novorossiysk since mid-December and has another tanker waiting in a line of up to five ships waiting to load.

Another trader said crude exports from the Ukrainian port of Odessa had stopped, probably due to with a major oil firm said.

political tension with Russia, the ex-Soviet Union's main oil producer. .

In the Baltic, where ice usually depresses exports at this time of year, just one cargo is said to be loading over the next few days at the Latvian port of Ventspils. Maritime exports have been in chaos ever since the Russian Federation suspended all export licenses in

November. The main problem is to do with ownership of the oil - new export licenses have not yet been granted."

The former Soviet Union's main export agency, Nafta Moscow, is unable to deliver crude and so are all the other organizations that have sprung up recently trying to export oil.

Although oil production in the former Soviet Union has slumped to below 10 million barrels per day, according to International Energy Agency estimates, there should still be enough oil for export, a trader

EC Defends Its U.S. Antitrust Pact

By Charles Goldsmith

BRUSSELS—The EC Commission, insisting that it enjoys broad powers to implement competition rules, on Friday strongly rejected France's challenge of an antitrust pact with the United States.

France, in a complaint to the European Court of Justice, said the agreement should have first been approved by European Communi-

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growth or restraint worldwide are

The first and second oil shocks

sent the entire economy of the in-

dustrial world on a roller coaster

ride to recession and inflation in

run the world when its economies

were desynchronized in the 1960s,

than later on, when everyone was

subject to the excesses of expansion

or recession at the same time," said

Stephen Marris, former economic

advisor to the Organization for

Economic Cooperation and Devel-

In the 1970s, There was no

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During the past two years coor-

dination has meant something dif-

ferent from marching in lockstep.

The Angle-Saxon nations have

been going through a recession to

wring out the asset-price inflation

of the 1980s in everything from fine

art to beachfront homes, while Ja-

pan and Germany supplied the lo-

comotive power for growth....

everyone could get in trouble."

"We always said it was easier to

ly member states sitting as the Council of Ministers.

The accord, signed September in Washington by the EC competition commissioner, Sir Leon Brittan, and Attorney General William Barr, calls for information in competition cases to be shared in order to facilitate investigations and prevent a duplication of efforts.

The court challenge by France marks the latest in a series of

This arrangement was supposed to reverse itself last year when Ja-

pan and Germany put on the

brakes; a slow recovery in the Unit-

ed States was supposed to start taking up the slack worldwide. Un-

fortunately, the recovery faltered

and the American locomotive

failed to arrive at the station on

time, demanding patience from all, but especially in Europe. "So what," said Paul Krugman,

professor of international econom-

ics at Massachusetts Institute of

Technology: "Macroeconomics is not like a minefield, where if you

step in the wrong place it always blows up in your face."

And a mistake, he said, can often

easily be fixed: "The French have

had a completely gratuitous reces-

sion imposed on them by Germa-

ny's fight against inflation. There is

a textbook answer to their problem,

which is to devalue against the

France and Britain, their leaders are no less concerned about "jobs,

jobs, jobs" than Mr. Bush is in a

U.S. election year. However, the

simple solutions proposed by econ-

omists do not necessarily address

With election seasons in both

DIVERGE: Sometimes, Nations Find, It Pays to Do Your Own Thing

 French objections to the Commission's power over matters of competition, which culminated in the herce condemnation of October's decision to block the takeover of the de Havilland aircraft firm by Aerospatiale of France and Alenia SpA of Italy.

According to the Commission the antitrust pact is merely an "ad-ministrative agreement" to formalize contacts with the United States

the complex political problems

By hitching the franc closely to

the mark through the European

Monetary System for the past four

years, France's Socialist govern-

ment has virtually slain inflation

and diverted its traditional sup-

porters by blaming its hard-nosed wage policies on the Bundesbank.

Now the French are hit by a double

whammy: higher rates prompted

by Frankfurt are more than the

French economy can stand while a

lower dollar whacks away at

Devaluation would mean a dam-

aging public abandonment of poli-

cv. but critics in the United States

have little sympathy with the So-

cialist government for hanging on

to its policies for too long. "The

Americans are not going to fight

France's battles for them," said

Robert Lawrence, professor of in-ternational economics at the J.F.

Kennedy School of Government at

Britain's prime minister, John

Major, was put into an even tighter

both countries face.

French exports.

Chairman Of Ratners Steps Down

LONDON - Gerald Ratner is stepping down as chairman of beleaguered British jewelry chain Ratners PLC but will stay as chief executive. the company said Friday.

James McAdam, a retired deputy chairman of the textile company Coats Vivella PLC, will replace him as chairman.

Sales in the key Christmas period were down 15 percent from a year ago, Ratner's said.

The company said it would probably break even on a trading basis for the year to Feb. I, but post a loss due to a net interest charge of about £27 million (\$49.4 million) and exceptional charges that are expected to be around £45 million — mainly from restructuring costs and provi-sions and bad debt provisions in the United States.

Payment of a final dividend is unlikely, the company said. Ratners shares fell 2 pence to 21 pence in London Friday. (Reuters, UPI)

interest rates or devalue the curren-

cy. If he raises interest rates before

facing the voters this year he risks

the ire of millions of mortgage holders. If he devalues, he will be

seen as politically weak. If he drops

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mechanism he will be seen as turn-

ing his back on Europe, one of the

principal policies that differenti-

ates him from his predecessor,

Margaret Thatcher, who was

dumped by the Tories in favor of

There is both an optimistic and

C. Fred Bergsten, director of the

Institute for international Eco-

nomics in Washington, argued that

there was no reason for the other

members of the EMS to hang on to

their parities against the mark like

a set of totems, when a perfectly good way exists of changing them: "Present a realignment as a one-

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current pressure continues on the tary integration and let everyone

pound, he may be forced to raise get back to work."

next in Europe.

Sweden Sees Big Deficit **Despite Spending Cuts**

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches STOCKHOLM - Sweden's new center-right government on Friday announced sharp cuts in public spending over the next fiscal year but said the budget would be deep in deficit anyway because of

the recession.

Finance Minister Anne Wibble said the recession and mistakes she attributed to the former socialist government meant 1992 would be a lough year "But if we don't swal. low the nasty medicine now, the illness will drug on," she said, announcing to parliament the budget for the year starting July 1.

The budget proposed cutting spending by 12.5 billion kronor (\$2.2 billion) from existing commitments. Nevertheless, Sweden is forecast to show a 70.8 billion kronor budget deficit due to dramati-cally lower income of 418.7 billion kronor. Tax revenue is down be-

ed Sweden's long-ruling Social Democrats in a general election last cause of the economic slump, and Mrs. Wibble said that as a result year, pledging to reduce government involvement in the economy. the government could not cut taxes as quickly as it wished.

compensate the farmers for cuts in

agricultural subsidies based on out-Washington is particularly upset that the Japanese have postponed Washington remains worried that the Dunkel proposal does not any decision on opening its market to rice imports until after the U.S. yet contain agreement on a plan to and Europe reach an understandcut tariffs, open trade in services ing on farm subsidies.

and widen government procure-ment to other nations. No matter what the final outcome, Japan is likely to emerge as a long-term loser, analysts said. Even though Japan has the most to gain from maintaining an open, rulesbased international trading system.

GATT: The Trade Talks Slog On (Continued from first finance page) Tokyo has failed to take the lead on

The cuts bit spending on defense.

sick pay insurance, housing subsi-

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One of the most controversial

proposals is a complete cutoff in

pay for the first two days of sick-

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from being the most generous in

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Social welfare programs for Swe-

Earlier cuts in Sweden's large

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den's 8.6 million people, at 135.5 billion kronor, are still the largest

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any issue in the negotiations.

Prime Minister Kiichi Mivazawa, while agreeing with Mr. Bush in a communique Thursday on a general statement in support of the GATT negotiations, made no concessions to accept high tariffs in place of a strict ban on rice

DEBT: Russia Needs More Time

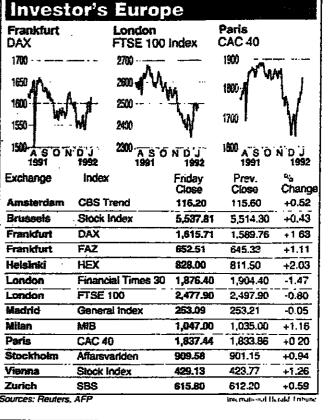
(Continued from first finance page) anticipated, but it doesn't surprise

anyone immensely," said Bill Newman, chief economist for Moscow Narodny Bank in London. As a result of last year's fall in

imports, there was probably a significant hard-currency surplus in republics of the former Soviet Union. The problem, Mr. Newman said, was that those earning the hard currencies were not passing it on to state banks for conversion. Part of these earnings, he said, "are being kept either in commercial banks or offshore banks — probably illegally.

Sanjit Talakdar, a Russia spe-cialist with CSFB Economics in London, cited reports that \$15 billion worth of hard currency had been spirited out of the Soviet Union last year and thus 35 million was being used to grease black market transactions inside it.

He and others believe that sooner or later the West will have to accept reality and agree on massive debt reschedulings. "The bottom line is that quite a lot of aid will eventually have to be given and a lot of it in the early stages will probably have to come in the form of debt deferral,"



Very briefly:

 Mercedes-Benz AG reached its second agreement in a week to make trucks in Czechoslovakia, signing a memorandum of understanding with two Czech companies, LIAZ and Avia, in a triangular deal giving the German company an initial stake of 31 percent in LIAZ.

· Siemens AG, which controls 95 percent of Siemens Nixdorf Informationssysteme AG, will offer SNI's remaining shareholders one Siemens

share for each six SNI shares or 156.50 Deutsche marks (\$100) a share. Corporación CNL SA, controlled by the Spanish representative of the Kuwait Investment Office, plans to pay 3 billion pesetas (\$30.2 million) for up to 10 percent of Banco de Ibiza, owned by Abel Matutes, a European Community commissioner.

 The Halifax Building Society's index shows that British house prices dropped 3.5 percent in 1991 from the previous year, following a rise of 0.5 percent in 1990 and a 2.8 percent increase in 1989.

• Danish new car sales, brake fill duty and tax of 200 percent on imports to a country without a car in ...stry, rose 4 percent in 1991 to 3,816.

• Grand Metropolitan PLC's proposed purchase of the 75 percent it does not already own in Cinzano International SA is under preliminary investigation by the EC Commission under its competition powers.

Britain's steel output fell 7.6 percent to 16.48 million tons in 1991.
 Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP, AF

Prague Sets Partial Sale of 3 Banks

PRAGUE - Czechoslovakia has approved the partial privatization of three banks, including one operation involving foreign capital.

The government approved plans Thursday for the two biggest banks.

Kommercni Banka and Vseobecna Uverova Banka of Slovakia, a statement said. The state will retain 44 percent of Kommerchi and 45 percent of the other bank. Most of the equity will be sold through the use of privatization coupons and by the distribution of shares at symbolic prices to Czechoslovaks, and 3 percent will be attributed to a fund to compensate people whose property was confiscated by the Communists after 1948. Berliner Handels- & Frankfurter Bank of Germany is to acquire 40

percent of the third bank, Zivnostenska Banka, for 731 million koruny (\$24 million). A further 12 percent will go to International Finance Corp., a World Bank affiliate. Czechoslovakia will retain the rest.

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LAS VEGAS. Nevada - In a move that could eventually lead the reentry of U.S. companies into markets now dominated by the Japanese. Apple Computer Inc. has announced that it will soon produce a variety of consumer

electronics products. At the annual Consumer Electronics Show here Chairman John Sculley on Thursday sketched out plans for a new class of consumer products — dubbed Personal Digital Assistants - that Apple will begin to introduce in 1993. Although the details were deliberately kept vague, the devices will be portable, easy-to-use, special-purpose computers that have advanced communications capabilities and the ability to

display and manipulate text, sound and images. Mr. Sculley also said that his company would introduce several new versions of the Macintosh computer this year that will be designed specifically for the consumer market and sold through mass-market retail stores. Until now. Apple has sold mainly through computer deal-

ers and a few so-called computer superstores. The new digital devices will be able to play sounds or display pictures or information and will allow users to exercise computer-like control over what they see and hear, Mr. Sculley said. Apple hopes to position itself early, particularly as a supplier of software to control such devices and to make them easy to use, he said.

Apple thus hopes to take a leadership role in what is widely regarded as a critical development in the electronics business: the merger of

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consumer electronics technologies — symbol-ized by the compact disk player and the handheld video carnera - with rapidly evolving personal computers.

This convergence means that consumers will soon have a host of new types of entertainment. education and personal productivity products to chose from. And it also promises to alter the balance of power in the electronics business.

Apple hopes to take a leading role in the merger of technologies like compact disk players with personal computers.

putting the U.S.-dominated computer industry on a collision course with the Japanese-domi

Personal computers are general purpose devices which require some level of skill to operate. On the other hand, most consumer electronics products have a particular defined usefulness," and they are relatively inexpensive.

Industry executives and analysts generally praised Apple's ambition, but cautioned that that's positioned to do this, it's Apple," said H Michael Morand, vice president of marketing at AST Research, the frame. California-based computer maker, "But it's going to be a veryexpensive investment, and they'll face intensecompetition from the Japanese grants

Japanese and European companies have I come to dominate the business of producing mass-market electronics products, such as tele-vision sets, compact disk players and VCRs. American companies have continued to excel in the computer business but many believe that it will be impossible to maintain this edge without playing a major role in the consumer electronics

Apple has pursued alliances with Japanese companies such as Sony, and Mr. Sculley indicated that alliances with Asian companies would be an important part of Apple's consum-

er strategy.

Apple's recent union with International Business Machines Corp, will support development of some of the new consumer products. although that linkup is primarily focused on the corporate computer market.

Even as Apple pursues ventures with Japanese companies, though, it appears inevitable. that it will also be competing head-on with the \ Japanese in some situations. Already, there are products on the market — such as Sony's Data Diseman, a hand-held device that can access reams of information from palm-sized disks that are conceptually similar to Apple's new

Friday's Closing

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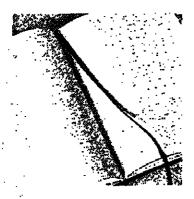
Mr. Sculley said.

the consumer strategy would be expensive and that are frought with peril. "If there's any company product.

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Car Wars: 'Show Me,' Both Sides Insist

By John Burgess Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - For years, General Motors Corp. had a special corps of loyal, amply financed customers in Japan: the gangsters who so consistently bought Cadillac limousines that anyone negotiating the narrow streets of a Japanese city in one ran the risk of being tagged as

from the underworld. GM later even lost many of those customers. They defected to Mercedes-Benz.

The story offers a metaphor for Detroit's experience in Japan. While European carmakers have managed to build a prosperous if still small market in Japan, the United States' Big Three automakers are conspicuously absent. Detroit contends that is in large measure due to Japanese market barriers. Concessions made to President George Bush will help but are unlikely to have

major impact, auto industry exec-But Japanese officials maintain that Detroit hasn't seriously tried to crack its market. They say it has done virtually nothing to adapt its cars to the Japanese market, where people drive on the

left side of the road and apply unforgiving standards of quality. Eight million cars were sold in Japan in 1990; less than 3 percent

German automakers were the most successful. Mercedes has most successful. Mercedes has years leading up to World War II. of lowering costs by keeping only found fans far beyond the gangBut after the war, Japan stuck small supplies of parts on hand.

An Offer Bush Can't Refuse?

TOKYO - A former gang leader has told President George Bush that if he didn't help oppose a new Japanese law against racketeer-

ing, Japanese gangsters wouldn't buy American cars.
"If the yokuca stopped buying American cars, your trip to Japan would be a fruitless one," Tadao Nawa said in a letter to Mr. Bush, the daily Tokyo Shimbun reported on Friday.

About 70 percent of the people who buy American cars in Japan are yakuza, or gangsters, he asserted. However, many Japanese gangsters have already switched, from Cadillacs to Mercedes-Benzes.

Mr. Nawa, who works for a publishing company in Osaka, wrote to Mr. Bush on Monday, the day the president began his four-day visit to Japan; asking for support in opposing an anti-racketeering law that takes effect in March.

ster community, selling 137,442. vehicles, according to the U.S. Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association. Plants in the United States, including those that are Japanese-owned, sold only 28.602.

It wasn't always that way. In the 1930s, Detroit owned the Japanese auto market.

The great earthquake of 1923 had heavily damaged the plants of Japanese manufacturers. Ford Motor Co. and GM moved in with such momentum that by the next decade, they were building 90 percent of all cars sold in Japan, most of them in plants that they opened there.

The companies were forced out as relations deterioristed in the with a closed-door approach for cars, with the government using high tariffs and restrictive investment rules to nurture and protect a domestic industry that it viewed as crucial to Japan's economic success as a whole.

"Historically in Japan." said David Andrea, a researcher at the University of Michigan's Office for the Study of Motor Transportation, "there's been a much closer working relationship, primarily with the understanding of how important a healthy domestic

auto industry is." While enjoying protection, the companies also worked hard to supercharge their plants' efficiency, investing heavily in assembly-line automation and the system

1950s, where they were frequently the butt of ridicule. Meanwhile, the United States

With strong government en-couragement, the Japanese auto-

makers began exporting boxy lit-

tle cars to the United States in the

trusted in an open market system. That backfired for U.S. car manplacturers after the oil shock of 1973. Japanese sales took off, as Americans scrambled for small, fuel-efficient cars and found Detroit's wanting in both mileage and workmanship.

A U.S. antitrust law that forbade any Detroit company from insisting that a dealer carry only its make of car worked in the newcomers' favor. "Japan's cars were able to very quickly obtain rapid, full access to the U.S. distribution network," said Steve Collins, director of international affairs at the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association.

In the 1970s, as its industry emerged as world-class, Japan removed its formal harriers to autoimports. But many U.S. companies feel the damage to their sales

was already done. "Did we have full, unfettered access to that market when the American auto industry was dominant in the world?" asked

Alisa Maher, a trade specialist at Chrysler Corp. "No." The Big Three contend that quality improvements they have made would give their cars major appeal in Japan, if consumers could ever see them.

Manila and IMF Reach Conditional Agreement

MANILA - The Philippines said Friday it had reached conditional agreement with the International Monetary Fund on an economic program for 1992 that would boost growth and lower inflation.

Finance Secretary Jesus Estanislao said the Philippines and the IMF had agreed on all economic targets for this year except how much the government spending deficit could be relaxed to take into

struction after the Mount Pinatubo volcano eruption in June.

We agreed on all the substantive points of the program for 1992 except for the basic and essential expenditures required by the aftermath of the Mount Pinatubo eruption," Mr. Estanislao said at a news conference after weeklong talks

with an IMF mission. He said how much would be spent for rehabilitation would be decided at a cabinet meeting on

percent in 1992 from an average 17.7 percent in 1991.

Overall real growth in gross national product was targeted to rise to 2 to 3 percent in 1992 from almost stagnant growth this year after the economy was battered by a string of natural disasters and the sharp rise in oil prices linked to the

"For 1992, the key objective re-Vednesday. mains that of bringing inflation down to 7 percent this year and the

aimed to bring inflation down to 7 appropriate monetary and fiscal policies are to be pursued in order to secure this primary objective. Mr. Estanislao said.

> "A real growth of the economy is envisaged to be in the range of 2 to 3 percent, with acceleration in the rate anticipated during the second half of the year." he added.

> Philippine inflation has already started to fall. The year-on-year rate slid to 12.4 percent in December from 15.8 percent in Novem-

Slowdowns at Hyundai **Take Toll on Exports**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches SEOUL — A worsening labor dispute at Hyundai Motor Corp. has curbed exports of South Ko-

rea's largest automaker and is expected to result in lost production of 25,000 cars worth \$150 million in January, a company spokesman said Friday. Hyundai suffered a 220 billion

loss due to labor troubles last year, the spokesman said. Work slowdowns at two of the company's five plants in plants in the southwestern city of Ulsan worsened in December. The slowdowns have blocked January exports, and Hyundai has shipped only 20,000 of the 31,900 units it

had hoped to export in December,

won (\$288.8 million) production

the spokesman said. The autoworkers union, which is demanding better working conditions and bonuses for workers at the five Ulsan plants, and has scheduled a strike vote for Tues-

terview from Ulsan. "Normal oper-

Loss of Confidence Sends

Australian Dollar Down

SYDNEY — The Australian dollar, battered Friday to three-year lows by a crisis of confidence, is expected to dive further despite a

massive rescue attempt by the Reserve Bank, currency traders said.

Australia's depressed economy by promoting exports.

try to spend its way out of recession.

wheat and other commodities.

Dealers estimate the Reserve Bank has spent \$1.1 billion to slow the fall, although economists say a lower currency can only help

"The Reserve Bank and the government are probably not unhappy to see it down here," said Jeff Schubert, chief economist at Hongkong Bank of Australia, "but I do not think they want to see it free-fall."

The Australian dollar traded below 74 U.S. cents Friday before

closing at 74.04 as a result of Wednesday's cut in interest rates, which

threatens the currency's high-yielding status. Dealers said investors feared the government of the new prime minister. Paul Keating, may

Chris Ferris, foreign-exchange manager at Indosuez Australia Ltd., said the Australian dollar could slide to between 72.9 and 73

U.S. cents next week. The unit was trading at 78 cents a month ago.

The lower currency is expected to bring relief for farmers, who have been suffering from drought and weak export prices for wool,

ations are not expected to resume easily or soon."

He said that 20,000 of the 28,000 unionized workers at the two affected plants had joined the slowdown, which began Dec. 17.

About 15,000 workers at two plants staged a sit-in on Friday, the spokesman said.

"Since radical labor executives were elected in last September, sabotage by some workers has started." he said.

Hyundai has dismissed nine union leaders, the spokesman said. Press reports said the company had proposed a 50 percent bonus and a travel allowance for the New Year, but that the union leadership. elected in September, had rejected the offer.

A union spokesman said that the company had threatened to dock wages of employees if they continued to conduct union business working office hours, which is permitted under South Korean labor

day.

"We are risking the danger of an overall suspension in exports," the spokesman said in a telephone in-



Very briefly:

 Samsung Shipbuilding Co. Launched the first double-hulled tanker built for a U.S. oil company. Conoco Inc.'s 95,000-ton Patriot, was built at a cost of \$50 million at Samsung's yard in Koje. South Korea.

 Norinchukin Bank, Shoko Chukin Bank, and Zenshinren Bank of Japan are expected to gain permission to enter into securities and trust banking businesses through subsidiaries, the Nihon Keizai newspaper said Friday. EC Commission said Friday is would investigate allegations of dumping of electronic retail-weighing scales made in Singapore.

 The International Symposium on the Coordination of Chinese Economic Systems will be held Jan. 20-23 in Hong Kong. The conference will study the possibility of a regional economic grouping of Hong Kong, Taiwan and southern China, and will be totally apolitical, the organizers said.

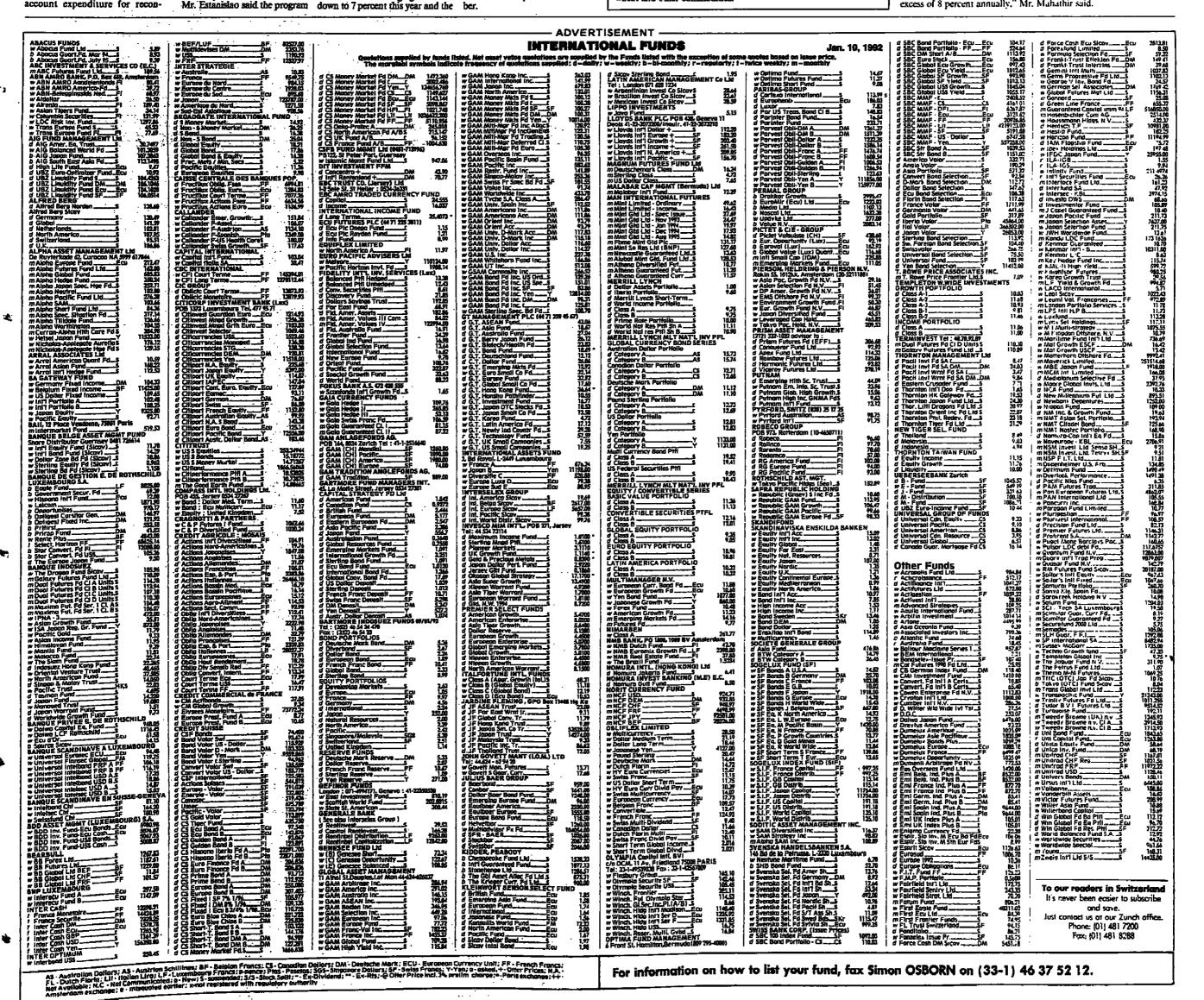
Malaysia Leader Criticizes Investors

Agence France-Presse KUALA LUMPUR - Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad on Friday criticized Malaysians for following declining trends on Wall Street

and dampening local stock market sentiment.

Mr. Mahathir cited the Malaysian conglomerates, Sime Darby and Cycle & Carriage Bintang, as examples of companies whose prices had dropped due to a weaker New York market the day after they had announced record profits.

"We should not be looking at the United States, which is now the biggest debtor with trillions of debt, when our economy is growing well in excess of 8 percent annually," Mr. Mahathir said.



Tax Rebates To Fill Up The Malls

HE best insight into the economy isn't always printed in the financial pages. Sometimes, it can be found in an empty parking space, like one spotted in front of a high-toned Southern California shopping mall on Christmas Eve, Inside the mall were the usual Asian and Middle Eastern visitors, plus the local monied gentry, mainly heavily accessorized women. Conspicuously absent were middle-

class holiday shoppers. With the public mood so dark in a consumer-driven economy, it's hard to imagine a turnaround any time soon. And with interest rates rising in Europe and falling in the United States, it becomes less likely that American consumers will buy the rest of the world out of its slump. Lower U.S. rates mean a cheaper dollar and higher prices for foreign goods. That can lead to inflation in the United States and recession abroad.

Rate cuts by the Federal Reserve Board have been the tonic of choice to try to perk up growth. The Fed lowered the discount rate from 6.5 percent to 3.5 percent, with little perceptible impact. The problem is indebtedness so high that banks don't have enough creditworthy clients to lend to. And with inventories stubbornly high, what would businesses do with the money?

A surer cure might be a tax credit that rewards businesses for building up their staffs. Perhaps payroll taxes on new employees could be rebated during their first three years on the job, with a reduction made to adjust for any layoffs. In distressed industries, rebates could be doubled.

The rebates would benefit businesses by cutting labor costs and by putting more money into people's pockets with which to buy the things they make. State and federal treasuries would benefit when the new workers started paying taxes instead of collecting unemployment benefits.

Certainly, no tinkering with the tax code can yank an economy out of recession by itself, but a payroll tax rebate might make it easier to find a job next Christmas and harder to find a parking space at the mall.

Airline Consolidation May Soak Up Red Ink

By Philip Crawford

IFFERENT words are being bandied about to describe the recent fortunes of the commercial airline industry, but most of them mean the same thing: "disastrous." Iraq's invasion of Kuwait in August 1990, which resulted in fuel prices doubling, struck a first blow, and the ensuing one-two combination of the Gulf war and international recession

have sent traffic levels and profits reeling.

But share prices of UAL Corp. (United Air Lines), AMR Corp. (American Airlines), Delta Air Lines Inc., USAir Group, and British Airways PLC all rose appreciably in December, and some industry analysis, taking a "things can't get much worse" attitude, as well as presuming at least a moderate overall recovery, are bullish on airline stocks. Oft-cited keys to new industry growth include a continued increase in international business travel, a healthy rate of expansion into new East European and Asian markets, and the omnipresent "X" factor of the air-line business — affordable fuel.

The industry has now suffered back-toback years of extraordinary losses," said Julius Maldutis, who tracks commercial airlines for Salomon Brothers in New York. "Airlines lost over \$5 billion in 1990, and about \$2 billion in 1991. What we're now seeing is further consolidation and emphasis on international routes, as the strong U.S. carriers recognize that they have a mature

domestic industry."

Red ink has indeed been flowing freely in airline accounting offices. For the nine-month period ending last Sept. 30, Delta, United. American, and USAir reported net losses of \$51.9 million, \$79.3 million, \$115 million, and \$306.9 million, respectively, with substantial losses per share of common stock. And those,

as they say, were the survivors.

Three U.S.-based carriers — Eastern, Midway, and, most dramatically, Pan American World Airways - liquidated completely in 1991, and the walking wounded include Continental Airlines Holdings and America West Airlines, both under Chapter 11 pro-tection, and Trans World Airlines Inc. which analysts say will be there shortly. Of the large Western carriers, only British Airways PLC appears to have turned a profit, reporting pretax earnings of £340 million (\$637.8 million) for the nine months ending

But as in any jungle, the fittest survive by devouring the expired, and Pan Am's demise has provided future sustenance for other carriers that have acquired its prized global routes. "The supreme irony," said Mr. Mal-dutis, whose "buy" recommendations include shares of USAir. United, and relatively small Southwest Airlines Co., "is that Pan Am started it all. It was the international airline, and now it's the one which has sold

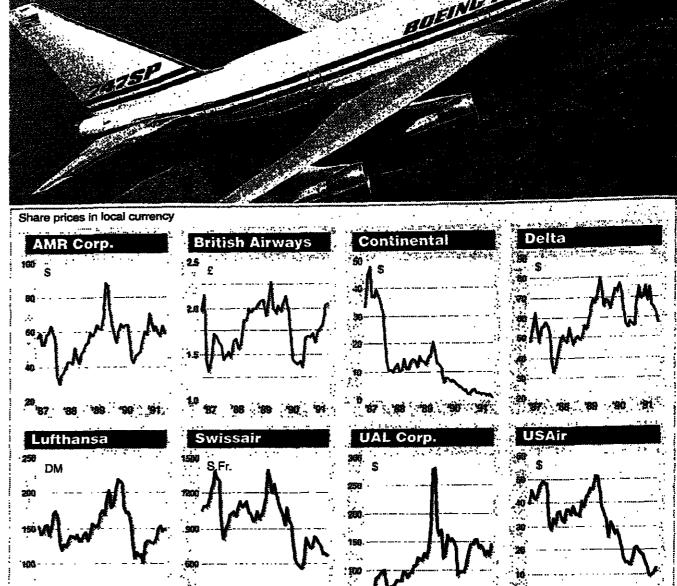
Delta Airlines, at a cost of about \$600 million, purchased the bulk of Pan Am's transatlantic routes, as well as its hub facilities in Frankfurt and New York, a move enabling Delta to service 21 new cities throughout Europe and Scandinavia. Ana-lysts are citing the buyout, as well as Delta's purchase of Pan Am's Northeast corridor shuttle, as good omens for the Atlanta-based carrier's share price and long-term viability.

UAL Corp. also feasted on Pan Am's carcass, acquiring its London Heathrow routes for \$290 million in last March and in December, shelling out an additional \$135 million for its Latin American routes to countries such as Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, and Venezuela. The airline may be a bit cash-poor as a short-term result, but analysis say the expenditure should pay off in the long run.

Further 1991 consolidation was evidenced by stronger carriers picking away at another ailing company: TWA. AMR Corp. took over TWA's Heathrow routes, and USAir, in December, took over two of its London Gatwick routes. USAir also recently reached an agreement to manage the Northeast corridor Trump Shuttle for 10 years, and plans to change the hourly service's name to the USAir Shuttle.

But further expansion into Western Europe is not a final frontier for U.S. airlines struggling to get into the black: New East European and Russian destinations are also on the drawing board, as those ports may become more accessible. "There's no doubt that Western carriers are looking at beefing up operations to Eastern Europe," said Timothy Coombs, an airline analyst with County NatWest Wood Mackenzie in London. The real question is how fast those markets will grow. They're being targeted for expansion within the next year.

The crumbling of old political borders, however, does not guarantee new market accessibility. When Germany reunified in



October 1990, Western carriers servicing Berlin such as British Airways actually had to cut back their flights, as the West German carrier Lufthansa AG got the lion's share of new gate priority. "In theory, the unification should have opened new markets, but in reality it did the opposite," said Mr.

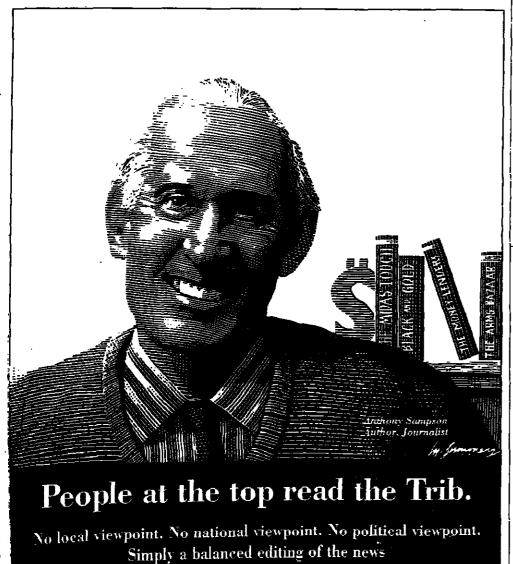
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But British Airways is making at least preliminary inroads into Russia, despite the current political and economic instability there. Talks with Aeroflot officials over a possible joint venture to be called "Air Russia" are ongoing and may bear initial fruit sometime this year. "If British Airways succeeds in setting up something in Russia, it will obviously be good for the company," said Thomas Longman, an industry analyst with Bear Stearns in London. "I think we might also see Aeroflot break up into a series

of regional or new 'national' carriers." Mr. Maldutis, citing a better oil price outlook, as well as what he called a "pro-found change" in how U.S. companies do

business, said he felt positive in general about the performance of airline stocks in 1992. "Corporate America is going through a process of globalization," he said, "and while the fax machine and video teleconferencing each have their niche, the fact remains that the businessman who used to fly to Cleveland to buy a new machine or finalize a contract is now flying to Europe, Scandinavia, Asia and the Far East. International traffic is rising at double-digit rates. And there's still plenty of room for growth."

Yields: On the Way Down? 10 year benchmark bond yields, percent German bond yield U.S. bond yield Italian bond yield J F M A M J J A S O N D J



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Monetary Union Plan Boosts Italy's Bond Market

By Richard Evans

vestor's darling. Worries about the government's shoddy management of the public debt and the bureaucracy involved in buying the bonds and reclaiming the withholding tax levied on them have put off foreign institutional and retail

However, thanks to a year of hectic market reforms and the challenge of readying Italy's economy for European Monetary Union. some analysts reckon that Italy's bond market could be the pick of Europe's bond bazaar in the new

Already over the past year there has been an upturn in its perfor-mance. In 1991, having a go at the Italian bond market was one of the smartest bets investors could have made. In Europe, only the bond markets of Spain and Portugal performed better.

The overall return on Italian bonds last year, in local currency, was 16.7 percent. In dollar terms it was 11.6 percent. That compares with a return of 9.34 percent, in dollar terms for French bonds and 11.21 percent for U.K. bonds. Portugal's bond market was the star performer, yielding a total return of 25 percent in dollar terms.

Italy's bond market has done well partly because many investors have been persuaded that as the

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European Community's Exchange Rate Mechanism squeezes inflation out of Italy's economy, interest RADITIONALLY, the rates and bond yields will fall to-Italian bond market has ward the level of the country with not been the foreign in-— Сеппапу.

However, there have been other factors. Last autumn, futures contracts on long-term Italian bonds - Buoni del Tesoro Poliennali -were launched. They are traded on the LIFFE in London and MATIF in Paris.

This has encouraged big investors, particularly sophisticated foreign institutional investors, worried about the lack of hedging instruments available in Italy, to buy more of the country's bonds.

Last September, the Italian Treasury announced that the process of reclaiming withholding tax, currently levied at a rate of 12.5 percent on Italian bonds, would be speeded up. In the past it could take more than six months for foreign investors to reclaim their withholding tax payments. Now it takes less than a month.

Also, the lira last year moved into the narrow 2.25 percent band of the ERM, which has given the currency a harder edge, and boosted confidence that Italy will be able to maintain the growth rates of more than 3 percent that it has achieved in recent years.

Most of the changes in the bond market have been aimed specifically at attracting more foreign institutional and retail investors to buy

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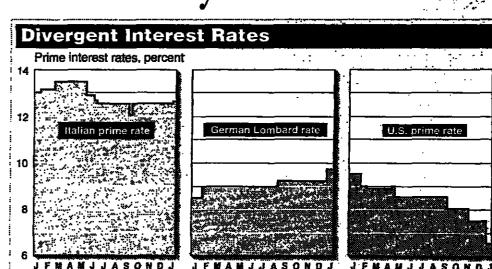
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Italian bonds. This has been a pri-still tardy way public debt is manority for the Italian Treasury since The EC set a deadline of July 1,

1990, for the abolition of all restrictions on capital movements by member countries. Since then, Italians, who have private savings estimated at around \$1 trillion, have been able to invest in what they want wherever they want. They have been quick to take advantage of this new freedom.

In 1988, out of a total of \$138 billion of new savings, around 2 percent was invested in foreign securities. Last year, the percentage of new savings invested in foreign markets was thought to be more

All this is bad news for the Treasury. It has been estimated that over the next few years the Italian government will be left with hun-dreds of billions of dollars of public debt needing to be placed that will not be able to find its traditional ready home,

The measures taken so far have obviously encouraged foreign investors to buy Italian state debt. Around \$80 billion worth of Italian government bonds was bought by oreign investors last year.

What discourages foreign investors from buying even more is the keep up with its peers.

aged in Italy. Government borrowing targets are annually exceeded. which puts pressure on the lira, raises the prospect of interest rate rises and depresses the bond mar-

However, many economists believe that the need to prepare the country for the monetary union will stiffen the resolve of Italy's politicians to radically cut the country's debt burden, which is nearing \$1 trillion. This should have a double benefit of giving the performance of the bond market and the confidence of foreign investors a big boost.

The terms of the monetary union treaty signed by the 12 EC members at Maastricht in December state that countries wishing to participate in the second stage of EMU in the mid-1990s will be required to reduce their budget deficits to less than 3 percent of gross domestic product and outstanding public sector debt to no more than 60 percent of GDP.

Italy, which has a deficit equal to around: 10 percent of GDP and outstanding debt equivalent to 103 percent of GDP - roughly double the EC average — will therefore have to act decisively if it wants to

"I think things will start to happen after the general election next year," said Jan Samols, a European bond analyst with UBS Phillips & Drew in London. "Traditionally, there is a mini-budet in May and it is then that any new debt-cutting measures will be taken. Yields will come down. It will be just a ques-

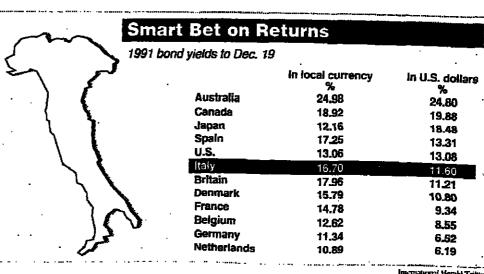
tion of how quickly, Eugenio Namor, an economist at the London office of Istituto Bancario San Paolo di Torino, an Italian bank, argues that another boon for the Italian Treasury is that next year Germany should have won its battle against the inflationary effect of reunification. This will lead to lower interest rates in Germany and help ease the pressure on Italian interest rates, which will also benefit the Italian bond market.

"A reduction in German interest rates will be very welcome," Mr. Namor said. "But even more important is the drive towards EMU. Italy always gives a very strong performance when it is constrained by external factors.

"In the 1980s, the discipline of the ERM was very good for Italian industry. And in the 1990s, the move toward EMU should be very beneficial for the economy as a whole and also, as a consequence, for the bond market."

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For Retailers, the Christmas Stocking Was Empty

By Katherine Burton ITH HOLIDAY

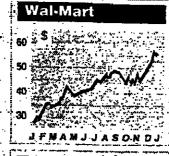
shopping over and sales in full force, Jenuary usually finds retailers gorging themselves on profits and bursting with good cheer for the new year. Not this season. For department and variety store executives across Europe and the United States, the first month of 1992 is as dark as a polar winter. Christmas, they say, never came.

Consumer spending was sluggish everywhere for most of 1991, first because of the Gulf war then an evasive economic recovery, and the Christmas spirit did not prove strong enough to break shoppers' despondency over the economy. It looks as if pessimism will continue to reign in the coming months.

Economists do not see real growth for the United States or Europe until the second half of this year, at the earliest. And within the retail industry itself, analysts believe that we will leave the 1990s with fewer stores than we started with, as bankruptcies continue to diminish the number of competi-

Despite the gloom and doom forecasts for the retail sector, market watchers do acknowledge a few bright stars worthy of investment, including one or two growth companies and several lower-ticket re-

Britain, sales at John Lewis stores the only company to publish weekly sales figures, which analysts say are generally indicative of the rest of the sector — grew only 2.7 percent in the 22 weeks to Dec. 28, below the rate of inflation. And its weekly sales for the last two weeks before Christmas were up only 1.5 percent over last year. Analysts acknowledged that even if many department



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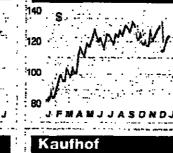
very bleak, and confirms the fact

that retail spending is allied to con-sumer confidence, which is tied to the housing market," said Quintin

Price, U.K. retail store analyst at

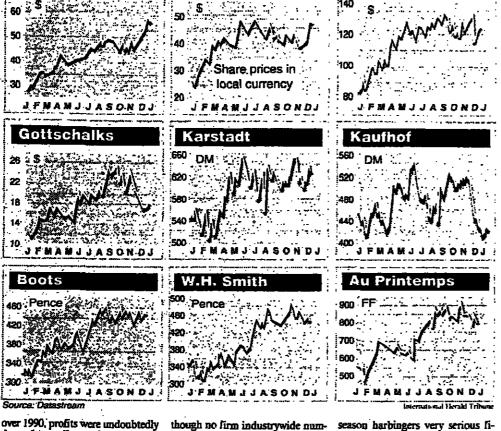
James Capel in London. "Since the

housing market is dropping, it's difficult to see any good news



season harbingers very serious fi-nancial difficulties for retail stores for the first and second quarters of

Despite the grim prospects. William Smith, retail analyst at Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. in New York, advises buys on two department store companies. Gottschalks, a small chain based in California, and Dillards, a larger chain with headquarters in Arkansas. Both are growth firms in an other-



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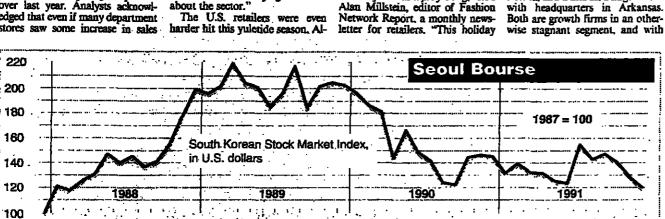
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Foreigners Rush Into South Korean Stock Market

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the last major Asian market to do so. And to everyone's surprise, outsiders showed up in numbers much stronger than anyone expected.

Friday and Saturday, saw the index another round of buying," said rise 6.5 percent, to 650, under Phillip Ham, a manager at heavy trading, although neither day was a full session. And buying orders from foreigners reached \$130 million, a grand showing considering that some brokers had estimated total capital inflow for the first year to be anywhere from \$1 billion

Why this buying spree might seem startling is the current state of South Korea's economy and the hitherto poor performance of its stock market. By the end of 1991, the market had tumbled almost 40 percent from its peak of 1,007 on April 1, 1989. And the economic outlook, following a bout of overoptimism in the late 1980s, remains

The economy is overheated, with inflation at 10 percent and interest rates at 19.3 percent (for benchmark three-year corporate bonds) and a trade deficit that hit nearly \$10 billion last year.

Despite these worrisome symp-

Despite these worrisome symp-toms, investors were attracted by a toms, investors were attracted by a of democracy in 1988, wages grew 15 percent to 20 percent, which small group of high-performing, low-priced stocks found among the 686 listed on the Seoul market. But with a government ceiling of 10 percent on the foreign ownership of most companies and 3 percent per investor in any one company, analysts are encouraging buyers who have not already entered the mar-

OUTH KOREA, after 12 range, but brokers believe that converts of fool-dragging fi-tinued foreign investment, improvement of fool-dragging finaîly opened its stock mar-ket to foreigners on Jan. 3, South Korea and upcoming elections will push the index higher this year, despite the prospect of con-tinued financial troubles for 1992.

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During the first two days of trading, buying orders from foreign investors reached \$130 million, pushing up the index 6.5 percent.

ed number of shares in the smaller ports. Not surprisingly, analysts companies that foreigners tend to are advising investors to stay away buy, investors need to wait for a from the highly capitalized but gen-temporary weakness in the market erally troubled exporters and seek before they can jump in.

South Korea's current money woes might be diagnosed as an eco- er liquidity. nomic identity crisis. "Korea's problem is that it is squeezed between low-tech and high-tech producers," said Derik Wilson, a member of the Korean/Taiwan sales team at Baring Securities Limited in London. With the introduction from the government's \$100 billion

lysts are encouraging buyers who have not already entered the market to do so soon.

The heady rises of the first few days have given way to some selling, with the market now in the 630 machinery, equipment and raw male leading manufacturer of ethical drugs; Hyundai Mipo, a shipbuilder, and Inchon Iron & Steel. "Some of these stocks are very cheap by international standards," said Nicholas Drury, manager of

Schroder Securities in London, in 1993, which should gain speed in who says that because of the limitsmaller, domestically centered companies, despite the risk of low-

> Mr. Wilson of Baring Securities equipment companies, among others. These industries should benefit from the government's \$100 billion investment in roads and ports over

institutional sales at Daishin Interthough imports have grown two to three times faster than exports, national (Europe) Limited in Lononly 10 percent consisted of findon. In addition, he likes textile companies such as Sam Yang, with mestic companies are turning out a p/e ratio of 3.4 and sales growth this year of 11 percent, and Sangup Securities, with a sales growth of 57.7 percent and a p/e of 12.9.

The government, hoping to avoid the cool reception of the Taiseveral steps in December to help attract more outsiders to the market. It allowed 46 companies that have already issued overseas securi-ties or had direct investment by foreign companies to raise their foreign ownership ceilings to 25

The Securities Supervisory Board also decided that only two companies. Phang Iron & Steel and Korea Electric Power, both govern-ment controlled, will have their for-eign investment limited to 8 per-cent, despite earlier reports that investment in "sensitive" industries like banks, transportation compa-nies and securities houses might be

In addition, the government set no restrictions on the repatriation of capital, except under "extreme difficulties" like major fluctuations in exchange rates or interest rates. It also has tax treaties with 27 countries, meaning that under most circumstances, citizens of France, the United State and Britain, among others, do not pay capital gains taxes, although they must pay a 10 percent to 15 percent tax on

Many analysts believe the government will continue to welcome foreigners. "The trend will be to slowly open the market further," said Mr. Ham of Schroder.

Katherine Burton

for Gottschalks and 19 for Dillards, the stocks are still a good

Overall, analysts put the most faith in lower-ticket stores during an economic slowdown. Sales at Wal-Mart and Kmart in the United States, for example, saw same-store sales rise 5 percent and 4 percent. respectively, during the holidays.

Store analysis at Barclays de Zoete Wedd in London are betting on the likes of U.K. stocks W.H. Smith, Marks & Spencer and Boots all moderately priced retailers because consumers continue to concentrate on getting the most value for their money. Wal-Mart is trading expensively, with a p/e of Marks & Spencer all have prices ranging from 14 to 17 times earnings, making them relatively inexpensive buys.

On the whole, however, more and more analysts are suggesting that big department or variety stores may be an endangered cate-"In the '90s, most large cities will be left with just one major department store, just as they are being left with only one major newspaper," said Mr. Millstein of Fashion Network Report.

"i believe that department stores are yesterday's retail format," said Malcolm MacLachlan, European retailing analyst at UBS Phillips & Drew in London. That is why he is bullish on the diversified French retailer An Printemps, the recent acquisition of Pinault SA. Along with its department stores. Printemps also owns La Redoute, France's largest mail-order house and a company that saw profits rise 40 percent in the first half of last year. The company also holds a 2 billion franc (\$384 million) war chest from its sale of Euromarché to Carrefour in early 1991. With the stock hovering around 800 francs, it is reasonably priced at almost 100 points below its peak of November

Germany is expected to hold the biggest hope for retail stocks this year. Although German haute couture firms have seen profits tumble and consumers' purchasing power has dropped 3 or 4 percent, analysts do not see retail stores suffering as much as their counterparts

The German retailing outlook is probably the best in Europe, although that might not be saying too much," said Mr. MacLachlan.

Georg Scholz, investment counselor at Deutsche Bank in Paris, likes the two biggest German retailers, Kaushof and Karstadt, saying the stocks are inexpensive, trading between 15 to 18 times earnings. which is below the industry average.

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Rate Moves Made New York a Winner, Frankfurt a Loser

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that Wall Street was the were led by Cincinnati Milacron, a Frankfurt the least rewarding matoolmaker that is a classic recovery December. The record- play, but also included consumer In contrast to New York's eu-

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* Source: Who's Who in Europe Survey: 1990

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U.S. Brokerage Cuts Cost Of Mutual Funds Trades

Jack White & Co., an American discount brokerage, is cutting the cost of trading mutual funds through its Connect Service, which hooks up buyers and sellers of funds that charge sales loads.

Many fund companies assess front-end feet of up to \$5 percent when they issue new

fees of up to 8.5 percent when they issue new shares. Under the Jack White service, exist-ing shares are transferred from one owner to the next. No new shares are issued, so no

load is paid.

When an investor wants to buy fund shares, he can pay the load or place an order with White's service, a company representa-tive explained. When someone else comes along looking to sell shares in the same fund, a transfer is made. One problem, though: that someone else may not come along for

that someone else may not come along for several days or weeks, so market timers should think twice before taking part.

When transfers are made, sellers receive the net asset value of their shares plus \$100. Buyers pay net asset value plus \$200. The other \$100 is White's fee for acting as the goobetween. For more information, call 1 (800) 233-3411 in the United States or 1 (619) 587-2000 elsewhere. 2000 elsewhere.

American Fund Managers Were Best Stock Pickers

Which country's fund managers were the best stock pickers last year? America's, by far, according to a survey by the research firm Micropal. Indeed, the survey of domestic equity mutual funds found that only U.S. funds outperformed the key local stock in-

U.S.-based funds that trade American equities rose 33 percent in 1991, Micropal's figures show. Standard and Poor's index of figures show. Standard and root's index of 500 large-capitalization issues was up a smaller but still impressive 30.46 percent, with dividends reinvested. Irish funds came next closest to beating their market, rising 10.42 percent in dollar terms, compared with a gain of 11.16 percent for the Dublin ISEQ

After Ireland, from best to worst, were Denmark, Britain, Belgium, Germany, France and Switzerland, Swiss funds failed to capture even half the increase in the SBC general index, rising 4.55 percent, against 10.67 percent for the index.

The fund managers started to get the hang of things in the second half. They beat the market in four out of eight countries - the United States, Belgium, Denmark, and Ire-

One important reason American managers did so well in their market is that small companies, the kind that many funds prefer to invest in, strongly outperformed the larger companies that make up S&P.

2 Firms Stop Money Flow In Small-Company Sector

Two funds in the hot small-company growth category are closing to new investors. their managers having decided that had tak-en in as much money as they could prudently

Montgomery Small Cap will stop accepting new investors near the end of the first quarter, said Mark Geist, president of Montgomery Asset Management. The fund, which started 1991 with \$30 million under manage-ment, has grown to \$80 million. The Babson Enterprise fund will stop tak-

ing money from new investors on Jan. 31. Connie Martin, a Bahson spokeswomen, explained that the fund was closing because the portfolio managers decided that there are only so many small companies out there to meet fund objectives."

Basking in the Shadow of His Son

By Tony Kornheiser

Washington Post Service
Washington — Calvin Hill was in a supermarket the other day when he noticed some kids peeking at him from around an aisle, and whispering to themselves. Calvin smiled to himself and thought: Maybe they recognize me from my Washington Redskins days - or, more flatteringly, maybe they think I'm a current Redskin.

He continued shopping and eventually got to the checkout, where he noticed them again. Shyly, they approached him, and this time he thought. They probably have my old card, and they want me to

Excuse me." one of them said. Calvin Hill turned.

"Excuse me," the child asked, "aren't you Grant Hill's father?

Over the past half-dozen seasons Duke - currently undefeated and the No. 1-Vantage ranked college bas-Point ketball team - has established itself as

the preeminent college program in the country. Through the ever-expanding TV coverage of college basketball, we've grown so accustomed to Duke that we should forgive ourselves if, while watching the Blue Devils, we think of them warmly

as basketball's version of the Partridge Family. There's Mike Krzyzewski, the solid, virtuous coach; Christian Laettner, the matinee-idol forward; Bobby Hurley, the reckless, impetuous point guard; Grant Hill, the liquid swingman, so stylish and graceful he should play in a tuxedo. We see them so often, we hardly need an announcer; we know so much about them. When the cameras pan the stands, we can even pick out their parents,

This is a story about one of those parents. It's a story about fathers and sons, and what it's like to watch your boy become a man.

THE NAME CALVIN HILL should be famil-I iar. He was an all-American at Yale, a Pro Bowl running back in the National Football League, a member of the Super Bowl Dallas Cowboys, and later a Redskin. A thoughtful man. A great star. And now, the father of, potentially, an even greater star — because by the time he's a senior. Grant Hill, now a sophomore, may well be the best college basketball player in the country.

Except for rare examples, such as Barry Bonds or Ken Griffey Jr., the sons of great athletes normally fall far short of their fathers' accomplishments. I asked if Calvin was surprised that his son - a child of privilege, after all - had become a

"A little. I suppose," he said. "I always wanted a son. I looked forward to throwing a ball with my son, like all fathers. But I never thought in terms of having a son who'd be a great athlete. Usually your son gets to be 16 or 17, and he has an identity crisis because he realizes he'll never be as good as Dad. So you tell him it's O.K., and you get through it together. But here I have this great athlete. I read stories about Grant, and in them it'll say, 'and then Hill did this.' And I say, wait a second! I'm 'Hill!'

How did my son get to be 'Hill'?" At 19, Grant is 6 feet 8 inches, (2.04 meters),

four inches taller than his father, a significant advantage in a game of garage-door hoops. But speaking as a dad, of course, you'd like to think you can still back your kid into the paint and beat

on him. Calvin knows those days are way gone. The last time I challenged Grant to a game was when he'd come home from a 13-and-under tournament. His team had won, so I said: 'You think you're pretty good, buh? You think you can beat your old man?' Once he got the ball I couldn't touch him. It's not supposed to happen at 16. maybe not even at 19. He did it at 13! It was the first time I had a sense of my own mortality."

H. THE OLD LION-YOUNG LION thing. A Sooner or later all fathers must dance to it. Calvin recalled a touch football game a while back. He was covering Grant, giving him the bump-andrun, and Grant made an inside move and got free. Calvin was running with him as the pass was thrown. Grant leaped for it, caught it smoothly.

ran two more strides and spiked the ball. "I was steamed that he spiked on me," Calvin said, alluding to every dad's nightmare — that your kid will not only outdo you, but then he'll rub

That sound you hear is Calvin laughing, "I don't compete with Grant anymore. It used to be to help his confidence. Now, it's for mine."

It's best for all concerned that Grant went into basketball, not football. "I was very sensitive about football," Calvin said. "Grant wanted to play it early, and I told him

not to start with organized football until ninth grade - the same time that I started. I hoped if he chose football, it would be because he wanted to not because he felt he had to do it for me. I'm happy his sport is basketball. I didn't want him to e compared to me." "I'm his father, and I think like a father," Calvin

said, beginning a father's typical anxiety. "Duke doesn't play with mouthguards; Coach K likes the players to be able to communicate on the floor. I once asked Grant about that. I said, 'Grant, can't you play with a mouthguard? There's \$6,000 worth of orthodontic work I'm worried about,' I mean, to me. Grant is still this little kid I used to toss in the air. But then I see him on TV, and he'll do things that shock me. I'll see him dunk sometimes and ask myself, 'Is that Grant?' "

Leaning back in his seat, Calvin half-closed his eyes, like he was looking at something he could barely see. "You know, when I was a kid, my father used to love to come watch me play. Not just games —he'd come and watch practices and scrimmages. I never understood it then. But I do now. I'm that way with Grant. I love watching him and seeing him improve. I get a bigger kick out of watching Grant succeed than I ever did for myself."

And humbled by his great fortune as a father. Calvin Hill said: "I played on a Super Bowl winner in Dallas. After all those years of living with the tag, 'next year's champs,' winning the Super Bowl was a tremendous high. But it wasn't as great as coming out of the Hoosier Dome after Duke won the Final Four.

"I walked out into the night, looked up at the stars and said, 'God, I've already had my time, so I don't know what I've done to deserve this. But



Ex-NBA star Ralph Sampson seeks more dunking time in Spain. \$275,000 to play the season in Spain.

Sampson Set SIDELINES For Debut

In Spain

MALAGA, Spain - Ralph Sampson, a former first-round National Basketball Association draft choice, prepared Friday for his new basketball life in Spain, where he is expected to pump life and interest into a team near the bottom of the standines.

The 7-foot-4 (2.24-meter) Sampson is expected to make his European debut Saturday for the Malaga based first division team, Unicaja de Ronda.

Sampson, 31, arrived Thursday in Spain after going on NBA waivers Tuesday. He signed as a free agent on Nov. 19 with the Washington Bullets but played only 10 games.

Houston made the University of Virginia standout the first pick in the 1983 NBA draft.

"We are very excited because this will be the first time an NBA first-round draft choice has played in a European league," said Manuel Rubia, a Unicaja spokesman.

Sampson will be the only American playing on the struggling 7-15 team. He said Thursday that he had received an offer to play for at least one other NBA team, the Denver Nuggets, but said he decided to come to Spain because he would get more playing time. He is reported to be receiving

Yankees Trade Sax to the White Sox

NEW YORK (AP) - The New York Yankees traded their five-time All-Star second baseman Steve Sax to the Chicago White Sox on Friday for right-hander Melido Perez and two minor-league pitchers. The Yankees, who also got Robert Wickman and Domingo Jean, sent

an undisclosed amount of cash to the White Sox. The trade unites Perez, 25, with his older brother Pascual. Sax, who will be 32 on Jan. 29, his .304 with a career-high 10 homers, 56 RBIs and 31 stolen bases. He was the 1982 National League Rookie of the Year for the Los Angeles Dodgers. Melido Perez, working mostly out of the bullpen for the first time, was 8-7 with one save and a 3.12 earned run average for the White Sox last year. He is 45-46 over four seasons with a career ERA of 4.26. Wickman, 22, was 5-1 with a 2.05 ERA at Class A Sarasota and 6-10 with a 3.56 ERA at Class A Sarasota and 6-10 with a 3.56

ERA at AA Birmingham Jean, 23, was 12-8 with a 3.30 ERA at Class A South Bend. He allowed 121 hits and 66 walks while striking out 141 batters in 158 innings.

Vikings Said to Tip Stanford's Green

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Dennis Green, Stanford's football coach, was expected to be named head coach of the Minnesota Vikings on Friday.

The National Football League team scheduled a late afternoon news conference to name a replacement for Jerry Burns, who retired last year. "It looks like it's going to be Green," said a Vikings source who asked not to be identified. The Peninsula Times Tribune of Palo Alto, California, quoted a Vikings source as saying Green, 42, had verbally agreed to a five-year contract with a first-year salary of \$350,000. Green would be the second black active coach in the NFL, joining Art Shell of the Los

The Green Bay Packers have offered Mike Holmgren, San Francisco's offensive coordinator, a contract to become head coach, but the 49ers say they will ask for compensation to let him go. "We have a firm contract offer from the Green Bay Packers," Bob LaMonte, Holmgren's agent, said Thursday night. But he added: "It's far from a done deal."

New Russian Soccer Body Rejected

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Soccer officials in the new Commonwealth of Independent States refused on Friday to recognize a rebel Russian football association that threatens to split the game's ruling bodies.

The creation on Thursday of the self-styled All-Russian Football Association raised the danger of a bitter power struggle and threw into question the holding of a Commonwealth championship next season.

Vyacheslav Koloskov, head of the old Soviet Soccer Federation and vice president of FIFA, the sport's world governing body, said the new body was not recognized by any Russian authority. It was formed by more than 173 delegates from throughout Russia who also voted to abolish the Russian Soccer Federation. The Soviet Soccer Federation is to meet Saturday to reshape itself into a new Federation of the Commonwealth of Independent States and plan a Common-

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wealth championship.

nounced Thursday that it was

The FC Bruges forward Jan Cen-lemans, 34, who played a record 96 times for Belgium's national soccer team, is retiring, the daily Het

For Clemson, a 38th Loss on Tar Heels' Court

The Atlantic Coast Conference has been so competitive for so many years that any team can win at any arena, they say. Just try telling that to Clemson

For the 38th straight time, the Tigers lost as the visiting team at North Carolina. On Thursday night, the No. 8 Tar Heels won in a rout,

"I actually was worned about this game because of their great quickness," said North Carolina's coach. Dean Smith, "But we played an excellent overall game."

Almost all of Clemson's losses in North Car-olina have come in Chapel Hill, There were a few games in nearby Greensboro, but the results have all been about the same since the Tar Heels started the streak on Jan. 15, 1926, with a 50-20 victory over the Tigers.

Hubert Davis scored 18 points and George Lynch had 17 for North Carolina (10-1, 1-1). The Tar Heels dominated the young Tigers (6-3, 0-2) inside as the front line made 17 of 26 shots. "We got hammered in the paint in every

way." Clemson coach Cliff Ellis said. "We got sent Minnesota to its worst loss ever as freshannihilated in the paint, and we must learn

from the experience."
No. 2 UCLA 83, Arizona State 62: Tracy Murray dominated at both ends, getting 28

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

points and a cureer-high 15 rebounds to lead

visiting UCLA to an easy triumph.

The Bruins (9-0) are off to their best start. since 1975. Arizona State (9-4) had won five straight. The game was the Pac-10 opener for both teams.

No. 6 Arizona 107, No. 23 Southern California 68: Guard Damon Stoudamire made five 3pointers and grabbed 10 rebounds as Arizona extended the nation's longest home winning streak to 71 games.

The Wildcats (10-1) won the Pac-10 opener for both teams and tied a record for the most points ever scored against Southern Cal (8-3).
No. 10 Indiana 96, Minnesota 50: Indiana man center Alan Henderson matched his season high with 20 points in the Big Ten opener for both teams. Minnesota's previous worst loss was a 58-16 defeat by Chicago in 1920.

No. 11 Michigan 80, Iowa 77: Jalen Rose scored 34 points in his first Big Ten game and Michigan outshot lows in overtime to win on the road.

The Wolverines (9-1) took the lead for good 75-73 on junior Michael Talley's basket with 3:56 left in overtime. An instant after the buzzer, Iowa's Wade

Lookingbill let go on a desperation 3-pointer

that swished through the net. The Hawkeyes (8-3) missed all five of their shots in overtime. No. 24 Tulane 95, Central Connecticut State 68: Anthony Reed and Carlin Hartman sparked a 20-0 burst early in the second half as Tulane

broke away at home and stayed imbeaten. The Green Wave (11-0) led just 48-45 with 14:05 left when it got rolling. Central (3-12) did not score for 4:09. The U.S. syndicate America3 an-

building a fourth yacht that it expected to participate in the fourth round of the America's Cup defender trials in San Diego. (AFP)

Nieuwsblad reported Friday. (AP)

BOOKS

MIRROR WORLDS: Or the Day Software Puts the Universe in a Shoebox — How It Will Happen and What It Will Mean

By David Gelernter. Illustrated. 237 York, N.Y. 10010

Reviewed by Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

HE prospect that David Gelernter describes in "Mirror Worlds" sounds like a late 21st-century science-

fiction fantasy. You will look into a computer screen and see reality," he writes in his prologue. "Some part of your world — the town you live in, the company you work for, your school system, the city hospital — will hang there in a sharp color image, abstract but recognizable, moving subtly in a thousand places. This mirror world you are looking at is fed by a steady rush of new data pouring in through cables. It is infiltrated by your own software crea-

tures, doing your business." Yet the fulfillment of this prospect does not lie a hundred years in the future, Gelernter says; it is going to happen very soon. Gelernter, who teaches computer science at Yale and is an expert on artificial intelligence, summarizes

"If we had the luxury of devoting our-selves to full-time mirror-worlding, we'd to be thrilled by this prospect, and Ge-

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have a complete prototype in a year or lernter is aware of them. To those who two. One way or another, we or some other research group will almost certainly have produced a full-fledged, largescale mirror world by the end of the

Moreover, he explains in concrete depages. \$24.95. Oxford University tail that a nonexpert can easily understand just how mirror worlds are going to Press Inc., 200 Madison Avenue, New come into being. He begins by defining the tricky concept of what computer software is: "The program text — the words and symbols that the programmer composes, that 'tell the computer what to is a disembodied information ma-

chine, Your computer provides a body." He goes on to describe how computer programs work, what a simple one looks like and how the high volume of data feeding a mirror world would demand that huge programs be broken down into groups of independent information machines working together.

He makes it easy to imagine how you could sit in front of your computer, select a mirror world, zoom in and poke around, like an explorer in a miniature submarine: "You can see traffic density on the streets, delays at the airport, the physical conditions of the bridges, the status of markets, the condition of the city's finances, the current agenda at city hall and the board of education, crime conditions in the parks, air quality, average bulk cauliflower prices and a huge list of others."

By Alan Truscott may worry about security and privacy he offers assurances that information within a mirror world will be as safe as in a good real-world security system. And to those who dread that they may become too dependent on their computers he

happen no matter what. In fact mirror worlds may even embrace artificial intelligence, if, as Gelernter evidently suspects, mind is based on a vast storehouse of memory and not on "a dense intertwined superstructure of categories, rules and generalizations, with the odd specific, particular fact hanging from the branches like the occa-

responds that mirror worlds are going to

sional bird-pecked apple."

Gelerater is studiously playful. He observes that while the point of designing good software is to solve a hard problem, some of the best software being produced today is "applied art," because art requires discipline. For anyone who has wondered what the next stage of the computer revolution will be like and how it will enrich our lives, "Mirror Worlds" offers some answers.

It tells you how Hamlet's dream may be fulfilled: "I could be bounded in a nutshell, and count myself a king of infinite space." Even more grandly, it permits you to imagine ways of negotiating the great metropolis without ever losing your temper or being mugged.

Christopher Lehmann-Haupt is on the staff of The New York Times.

BRIDGE

E DWIN KANTOR has written a book called "Roman Keycard Blackwood — The Untold Story," available for \$11.95 (U.S. postage included) from "Bridge Today," 18 Village View Bluff, Ballston Lake, New York 12019. It is about the bidding practice that, in the past decade, almost all American experts

have adopted. In the diagramed deal, reported by Kantar from a practice match, North eventually used an exclusion variation: The jump to five diamonds asked South to respond as if to a four no-trump bid, but ignoring the diamond suit, with responses by normal Blackwood steps. So five spades showed one key card, clearly the club ace, and five no-trump asked South to bid the grand slam if he held the trump queen.

After a spade lead South had no difficulty in developing the clubs to make the grand slam. He won the opening spade lead in dummy, led to the club ace, drew trumps, starting with queen and ending in dummy. Then he cashed the K-Q of clubs, and ruffed out the club jack to

make the grand lam. Notice that the immediate play of the club risked running into a 6-0 club solit. but would have been essential if West had begun with five clubs headed by the jack and exactly two trumps.

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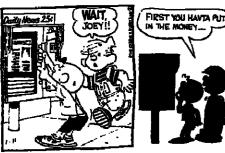




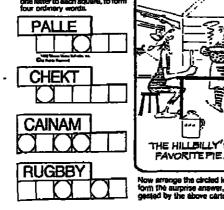


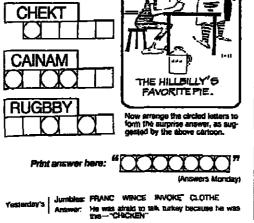














SPORTS

4 Teams Facing a Final Hurdle

NATIONAL CONFERENCE LIONS (12-4) AT REDSKINS (14-2)

Key Stats: Lions are 2-4 outdoors on grass surfaces; quarterback Erik Kramer in his last seven games is 7-0; Redskins' defense has played against the run-and-shoot offense four times this season (Atlanta twice, Houston and Detroit once each) and has allowed an avcrage of 9.3 points per game.

Comment: The first question is the playing surface at Robert F. Kennedy Stadium. Will it be soaked from rain predicted there through Saturday afternoon? If so, the Lions must first feature a ground game and running back Barry Sanders, and then look to

pass short before throwing long. Washington can excel either on a wet or dry surface. The critical is-sue for the Lions is not so much how the Washington defense handies the Lions' offense but how Detroit's defense handles the Redskins' offense, especially receivers Art Monk, Gary Clark and Ricky

Lions kick returner Mel Gray and

NFL MATCHUPS

he Redskins return specialist Bri-an Mitchell. Especially early, the field position both speedy and daring returners give their offenses will be critical. The Redskins are favored by 13% points.

AMERICAN CONFERENCE BRONCOS (12-4) AT BILLS (13-3)

Key Stats: Broncos are 4-0 in AFC championship games, Bronco defense allowed Houston only three second-half points last week and 97 total rushing yards in 26-24 victory; Bills average 148.8 rushing yards per game and in their last three playoff games in Rich Stadi-um have won by an average of 27

mt: Here comes Denver with the No. I-ranked AFC de-

The trio has a glaring edge in experience over the Lions' young secondary and their timing with quarterback Mark Rypien this sea-son has been exceptional. Watch football on the ground with running back Gaston Green and later fill the air with passing heroics from quarterback John Elway.

The Broncos obviously don't believe they can dominate the Bills' big-play offense. More than one Bronco says his team can't win unless it scores at least 30 points. Forty might do.

The Buffalo defense, however, believes Denver will have trouble surpassing 20 points. Bills nose tackle Jeff Wright is the key returnee from a knee injury that will help the Bills' defense control the Den-ver running game. Buffalo's offense is primed for another spectacular show. Bills by 11½ points.

These matchups of Sunday's NFL conference championship games were written by Thomas George of The New York Times. were provided by the Latest



The Broncos are hoping to fill the air with John Elway's heroics.

For Bills, a Ho-Hum Approach

Preparation for Broncos Is Low-Key and Businesslike

By Timothy W. Smith New York Times Service

- Maybe it's because they practi-cally waltzed through the season tories at Rich Stadium have come with a 14-2 record or perhaps be-cause they were in the Super Bowl last year, but the atmosphere around the Bills locker room for Sunday's American Football Conference champ nship game against Denver is deadedly ho-

The usual buzz that surrounds a team going into a championship game is missing. There's little loud chatter among the players, who are taking a low-key, businesslike approach to the game.

Center Kent Hull said the team simply confident. We've had pressure on us to win

all year long," Hull said. "We're used to pressure. I think this team expects to win every time we go

The Bills are heavy favorites to are 5-1 in playoff games at home.

ny, the eighth seed, climinated

third-seeded Jana Novotna, the defending champion, 6-3, 7-5. In Auckland, New Zealand,

seventh-seeded MaliVai Wash-

ington of the United States

overpowered No. 2 seed Andrei

Cherkasov of Russia to advance

to the semifinals of the New

ed Markus Zoecke of Germany, who upset third-seeded Alexan-

der Volkov of Russia. 7-6, 6-2.

■ Edberg's Tough Draw

Washington will face unseed-

Buffalo's last playoff loss at home was against the Boston Patriots of ORCHARD PARK, New York the old American Football League

> Buffalo players said they weren't looking past Denver and ahead to a possible return to the Super Bowl. which they lost last year to the Giants after kicker Scott Norwood missed a field goal with a few seconds to play.

Defensive end Bruce Smith said concentrating on the game at hand has been the key to the team's success this year.

"Everybody kept the same type attitude as last year and just stayed focused on the game that we're playing." Smith said. "Three or four years ago we would look at our schedule and say. 'Here are three or four teams that should be automatic wins. We don't do that any-

The Bills and the Broncos played last on Sept. 30, 1990, in what some Buffalo players called the craziest game they have ever played.

The Broncos were leading by 21-9 with 10 minutes 30 seconds to play. In 77 seconds, the Bills scored a touchdown on a blocked field goal, scored a touchdown on an interception return, and then scored a touchdown on a 2-yard run after the Denver quarterback, John Elway, fumbled the ball at the Broncos' 2-yard line. Buffalo won the game, 29-28.

The Bills' running back, Thurman Thomas, said that improbable victory set the tone for the rest of the season and helped propel Buf-falo into Super Bowl XXV.

"It turned our whole season around," Thomas said. "Without that game we would have really been down on ourselves, because we really didn't play well at all, but we were lucky enough to win it at the end." Playoffs on TV

Live or delayed telecasts of the NFL title games Super Bowl XXVI, can be received in the following countries, according to the NFL Rickoffs on Sunday are at 1730 GMT for the AFC game and 2100 GMT for the NFC game. Check local hstings, **Europe**

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Lions in Washington: A History of Defeats

By William Gildea

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — Sonny Jurgensen passed them silly. Mark Moseley beat them with a 44-yard field goal. The Smurfs, like gnats. drove them crazy. The Diesel ran over them. Sammy Baugh intercepted four passes in one game against them. Darrell Green picked off three in a game. Otis Wonsley scored three of his five career touchdowns in one game against them. Otis Wonsley!

Every time the Detroit Lions come to Washington, the Redskins find a way to win. They have won the easy ones, they have won the close ones. They have completely frustrated the Lions. One game ended with the Lions two

from the winning touchdown. The Redskins are 15-0 over them in regular season and playoff games in Washington. They are 10-0 over them at RFK Stadium. The Redskins have won 14 straight home and away against Detroit. and hold a series advantage of 22-3. "I was thinking the other day, "Why is it like this?" said Joe Schmidt, a Hall of Fame linebacker with Detroit and a former Lions coach, "I don't believe in jinxes.

Such other Detroit Hall of Famers as Jack Christiansen, Yale Lary and Bobby Layne came up losers in Washington. Lions' coaches who failed there include Gus Dorais, Bo McMillin, Buddy Parker, Rick Forzano, Monte Clark and Darryl Rogers. Wayne Fontes is going for 0-2 on Sunday.

But you'd figure this thing would

Lem Barney, perennial Pro Bowl cornerback who played for the Li-ons from 1967 to 1977, said that he thought the only pass interference penalty of his career came against the Redskins in Washington.

remember a single spectacular thing he did in Washington.
All too clearly, Schmidt remembers the bad times there. He played in what was for the Lions a heart-breaking 18-17 defeat at Griffith Stadium in 1956.

"It cost us the division title," said Schmidt, "We took a safety in that

'I don't believe in jinxes. But you'd figure this thing would even out.

Joe Schmidt former Lion

game. For the life of me I don't know why. They kicked a field goal and won it."

The safety was Buddy Parker's decision. With the Lions backed up at their 1-yard line in punt formation, the coach had Lary step out of the end zone for a safety to give the team better punting position. But it also gave the Redskins a 15-10 lead. Sam Baker's field goal then gave them an insurmountable eightpoint advantage that Layne cut to one with his passing.

Billy Sims (1980-84), the great Lions running back, went 0-4 in Washington. The first time, in 1981, looked promising. "I had a pretty good game," said Sims. He was being modest; he rushed for 159 yards and two touchdowns. The Lions totaled 499 yards, But, Sims said wistfully, "They beat us

with a field goal, 33-31." It was Moseley from 44, with 43 seconds remaining,

The Lions never came close again in Sims's time. "Every time we went up there," Barney, also one of the top punt said Sims, "we got the daylights returners in Lions' history, can't kicked out of us."

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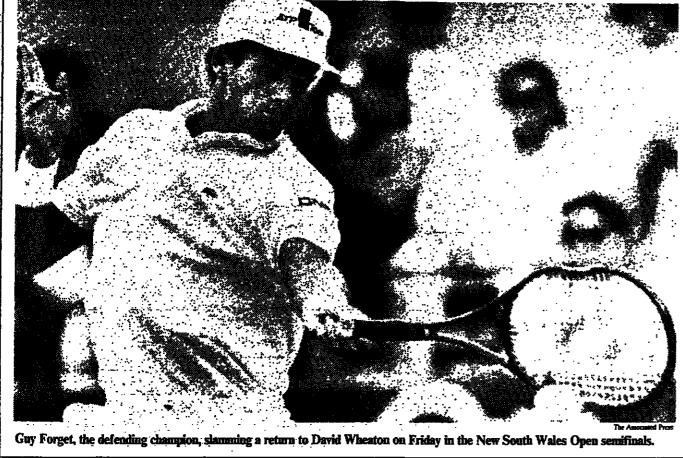
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Forget and Sánchez Gain Final in Sydney No. 5 Conchita Martinez. 6-4. 6-2. But Anke Huber of Germa-

The Associated Press SYDNEY — Guy Forget of France, the defending champi-

on, used a devastating serve to defeat David Wheaton of the United States, 6-3, 6-2, on Friday in the semifinals of the New South Wales Open. The third-seeded Forget, who

will face seventh-seeded Emilio Sanchez of Spain in Saturday's final, fired six aces and lost only six of 43 points on his serve. He never faced a break point and broke Wheaton three times. Sánchez beat unseeded Omar

Camporese of Italy, 6-4, 7-6. Sanchez, who has not dropped a set in four matches, survived a mistake-plagued battle against Camporese. The No. 1 women's seed, Ga-

hriela Sabatini of Argentina, moved into the semifinals with her third straight-set victory, but had her toughest match so far. She lost her serve three straight times in the second set before beating 15th-seeded Gigi Fernandez. 6-2, 7-6. Second-seeded Arantxa Sán-

chez Vicario of Spain ousted

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ca Seles (1), Yu

Stefan Edberg, the world's top-ranked player, found Ivan Lendl and Boris Becker standing in the way of his hopes of a third Australian Open title on Friday. Reuters reported.

Zealand Open.

The Swede had little luck when the draw was made for the tournament, which starts Monday. Although he begins against a qualifier, he is scheduled to meet Lendi in the quarterfinals and defending champion Becker in the semifinals.

SCOREBOARD

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TENTUS

Omer Comporese, Ifaly, def. Christian Bersstrom, Sweden, 6-7 (7-3), 6-4, 6-1. Semifinats Guy Forget (3), France, def. David Wheelon

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Gabriela Sabolini (1), Argentina, del. Gigi
Fernandez (13), Puerto Rica, 6-2, 7-6 (9-7);
Aranixa Sanchez Vicario (2), Spain, del. Conchita Martinez (5), Spain, del, Carlonia (1), Czechoslovakia, 6-2, 7-5; Mary Joe Fernandez (4),
U.S. det. Letia Meskal, 19), Georgia, 6-1, 6-2.
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Jaime Yzaga, Peru, del. Markus Noewie,
Germany, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5); Grant Control, Canoda, def. Kelly Evernden, New Zealand, 6-4, 7-6
(14-8); MailYal Washington (7), U.S., def. Andrel Cherkasov (2), Russka, 6-4-6; Marivat
Zoacke, Germany, det, Alexander Volkov (3),
Russia, 7-6 (7-5), 6-2.

Australian Open Draw

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MEN

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Claudid Mezzadri, Swrizerland, vs. Joimi
Margon, Austrolia; Jan Stemerink, Netherignds, vs. qualifier: John Fitzaardid Australio, vs. Mark Kaevermans, Netherlands; Marca ca Gorriz, Spain, vs. Gilad Bloom, Israel; Andrei Chesnokov, Russia, vs. Frederic Fon-

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vakto, vs. qualifier; Gay Forset (7), France, vs. Henri Leconte, France; Lars Jonsson, Sweden, vs. Christian Bergstrom, Sweden; Jatine Orcins, Brazil, vs. Sandon Stolle, Australia; Grant Dayle, Australia, vs. qualifier; Jim Granb, U.S., vs. qualitrolla, vs. qualifier; Jim Groth, U.S., vs. qualifier; Richard Krallcek, Netherlands, vs. Christian Saccans, Germany; Cristiano Caratti, Italy, vs. Chuck Adons, U.S., Alichael Chang (14), U.S., vs. Fernando Roese, Brazili: Garon Prpic (14), Craotta, vs. qualifier; Motivali Washington, U.S., vs. qualifier; Motivali Washington, U.S., vs. qualifier; Motivali Washington, U.S., vs. Abarian Volda. Czechaelovakia: Stefano Pescasolida, Italy, vs. qualifier; Ölivier Delaitre, France, vs. Christian Alminusk, Argentina: vs. Christia van Rensburg, South Africa; Janos Svensson, Sweden, vs. Shuzo Mahsuoka, Janan: Allchael Stat (4), Germany, vs. Javier Sanchez, South Stefa, vs. Javier

Australia; Anders Jarryd, Sweden, vs. Aaros Krickstein, U.S.; Garan Ivanisevic (16), Cro

Conchita Martinez (8), Spain, vs. Shaun Statford, U.S.: Jennifer Capriati (5), U.S. vs. Notalia Medvedeva. Ukraine: Nicale van Lai-hum, France, vs. qualifier: Martien Maruska. Ausliria, vs. Ines Gorrachategui, Argentina: Isabel Cueta, Germany, vs. Katrina Adams U.S.: Louise Stacey, Australia, vs. Pam Shriver, U.S.: Petra Thoren, Finland. vs. Nat ver, U.S.: Petra Inorest, Frinans, vs. namia Zvereva, Betarus; Claudia Kahde-Kilsch, Germanv, vs. Claudia Parwik, Germanv; Zina Garrison (11), U.S., vs. Silke Frankt, Ger-many; Katerina Maleeva (10), Bulgaria, vs. Debbie Groham, U.S.;

Debbie Groham. U.S.;

Petra Kamstra, Netherlands, vs. qualifier;
Sobine Meler, Germany, vs. Kirrily Sharpe,
Australia; Melke Babel, Germany, vs. Anna
Maria Faldenyi, Hungary; Petra Ritter, AusIrio, vs. Karin Keshwendi, Luxemboury; Barbara Mulei, Yugoslavia, vs. Jenty Byrne, Ausladie; Patricia Hy. Canada, vs. Mogadelen
Maleeva, Bulgaria; Gobrielo Sabatial (3), Argentina, vs. Julie Holard, France; Mary Joe
Fernandez (7), U.S., vs. Manique Javer, U.S.;
Brendo Schultz, Netherlands, vs. Borbara
Rittner, Germany; Helen Keiesl, Conada, vs.
Lindo Harvey-Wild, U.S., Rochel McGulllan,
Australia, vs. Susan Sloane-Lundy, U.S.;
Patry Fendick, U.S., vs. Sybille Niox-Cho-Patty Fendick, U.S., vs. Sybille Niox-Cha-leas, France; Halle Cloffi, U.S., vs. Clare Wood, Britain; Betting Fulco-Villella, Argen Wood, Britoin; Bettina Fulco-Villella, ArgenHno, vs. Alexis Dechaume, France; Judith
Wiesner (14), Austria, vs. Cristina Tessi, Argentina; Helena Sukova (15), Czechoslovakia, vs. Veronika Martinek, Germany; KristinGodridge, Australia, vs. Nicole Muns-Jagerman, Neitertands; Eugenia Maniakavā, Russia, vs. Dominiaue Manomi, Belsium; Nana
Miyosi, Jopan, vs. Nicole Protit, Australia;
Mana Endo, Japan, vs. Nicole Protit, Australia;
Mana Endo, Japan, vs. Regina Rajchrava,
Czechoslavakia; Sabine Hods, Germany, vs.
Catherina Tanuler, France; Amy Frázie, Cotherine Tonvier, France; Amy Frazier, U.S., vs. Carrie Cuminsham, U.S.: Stet (2), Germany, vs. Katla Oelieklaus, Ger

SPANISH CUP

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Kimberty Po, U.S., vs. Samariha Smith, Britain; Emanuela Zarda, Switzerland, vs. Joanne Limmer, Australia; Jo Durle, Britain, vs. Florencia Labal, Argentino: Sobine Appelmans (10), Belgium, vs. Lariss Savchenko-Neiland, Latvio; Manuela Maleeva-Frog-niere (9), Switzerland, vs. Ginger Helgeson, U.S.; (Blue Emanuela, U.S. vs. Karina Halbathe second of the Street of the second of the Street BASEBALL American League

KANSAS CITY—Agreed to terms with Kervin Moore, outfleider, an one-year contract,
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> FOOTBALL
> National Football League
> CHICAGO—Named Donny Abromowitz, special leams cooch
> LA, RAMS—Ernie Zompese will remain offensive coordinator. Named Chuck Know rooch.

PITTSBURGH—Dick Holey, player personnel director, resigned.
SEATTLE—George Dyer, defensive line cooch, and Jae Viti, secondary cooch, resigned to occept similar positions with L.A. Rams. Named Larry Kennan, offensive coordinator. HOCKEY

PHILADELPHIA—Named Paul Halmare rcour. TORONTO—Called up Drake Berehov

COLLEGE ATLANTIC 10 CONFERENCE-An door Irack and field as char ffective for 1992-93 season. BIG TEN CONFERENCE—Suspended C.

forward, academically ineligible.

JAMES MADISON—Extended contract of M. NORTHWESTERN⊷Named Craig John en quarterback coach. RHODE ISLAND—Named Thomas R. Dau

son interim athletic director effective Jan. 15. SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI—Fired Jim rackers coach. TEXAS CHRISTIAN—Named Babby Eth-

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The Airborne Avenger

M IAMI — I'm in an airplane, voice said, quote: "Hon? Can I get a refill? Like maybe today?" way to escape. For an hour we've been taxiing around Miami International Airport while lightning tries to hit us. Earlier I was hoping that the plane might at some point actually take off, but now I'm starting to root for the lightning, be-cause a direct strike might silence the two women sitting in front of me. There's only one empty seat between them, but they're speaking at a decibel level that would be appropriate if one of them were in Cleveland, First Woman; I PRE-FER A WINDOW SEAT.

Second Woman: OH, NOT ME. I ALWAYS PREFER AN AISLE

First Woman: THAT'S JUST LIKE MY SON, HE LIVES IN NEW JERSEY, AND HE AL-WAYS PREFERS AN AISLE SEAT ALSO.

Second Woman: MY SISTER-IN-LAW WORKS FOR A DEN-TIST IN NEW JERSEY, HE'S AN EXCELLENT DENTIST BUT HE CAN'T PRONOUNCE HIS R'S. HE SAYS, "I'M AFWAID YOU NEED A WOOT CANAL"

And so it has gone for an hour, a live broadcast of random neural firings. But it could be worse. I could be the flight attendant. Every time she walks past the two women, they both shout "MISS?" It's an uncontrollable reflex.

"MISS?" they are shouting. "CAN WE GET A BEVERAGE HERE?" This is maybe the fifth time they have asked this.

"I'm sorry," says the flight atten-dant, with incredible patience. "We can't serve any beverages until after we take off." "SHE'S VERY RUDE," they "whisper" as she moves away, their

voices booming through the cabin.
"THEY SHOULD FIRE HER." YES, THEY SHOULD." "THERE'S SUPPOSED TO BE BEVERAGE SERVICE."

It's a good thing for society that I'm not a flight attendant. I would definitely kill somebody no later than my second day. Recently I sat on a bumpy, crowded flight and watched a fortyish flight attendant, arms occupied with a large stack of used dinner trays, struggling down the aisle. A young man held out his coffee cup. BLOCKING HER PATH, and in a loud, irritated

She smiled — not with her eves - and said, "I'll be with you as soon as I can, sir."

Oh, I'd be with him soon, all

right. I'd come up behind him and strangle him with the movie-headphone cord. "Is that tight enough for you, SIR?" would be the last words he'd ever hear. Then I'd become a legendary outlaw flight attendant. I'd hide in the overhead luggage compartment and watch for problems, such as people flying with small children and making no effort to control them, people who think it's CUTE when their children shriek and pour salad dressing

When this happened BANG the

luggage compartment would burst

open and out would leap: the

Avenging Flight Attendant of

Doom, his secret identity con-

cealed by a mask made from a bart

bag with holes in it. He'd snatch the child and say to the parents, very

politely, "I'm sorry, but FAA regu-lations require me to have this child

raised by somebody more civilized.

such as wolves." If they tried to

stop him, he'd pin them in their

seats with dense, 200-pound airline

Insane? Yes, I'm insane, and you

would be too if you were listening

"MISS?!" they are saying. "IT'S TOO HOT IN HERE." "CAN WE

GET SOME BEVERAGE SER-

And now the pilot is making an announcement. "Well, folks," is how he starts. This is a bad sign. They always start with "Well, folks" when they're going to announce something bad, as in:
"Mell folks if no dum, the first

"Well, folks, if we dump the fuel,

we might be able to glide to the

that — I swear I am not making this up — LIGHTNING HAS HIT

THE CONTROL TOWER.

front of me.

phone cord

This time the pilot announces

"We could be sitting here for

some time," he says.
"MISS??" say the women in

No problem. I can handle it. I'll

just stay calm, reach into the seat

pocket, slowly pull out the head-

Knight Ridder Newspapers

VICE?" "MISS???"

omelets.

onto other passengers.

This copy was printed incorrectly, to say the least. "It's one of a kind," was the author Flora Davis's dry remark when she was told about the glitch over the phone.
"It better be one of a kind."

iust like that, it's over.

By Charles Trueheart Washington Post Service

32 pages 18 times until the very end.

Davis can rest easy. The publisher says few. if any, other copies were botched. "In any manufacturing operation a few defects slip through," said Victoria Meyer, director of publicity at Simon & Schuster, greeting

the mishap with serenity. Even so, the possibility of more farreaching errors strikes fear in book country. Moaned Christina Coffin, managir editor of Houghton Mifflin, "It's the kind of thing that makes my stomach crawl, even though it's an S&S book."

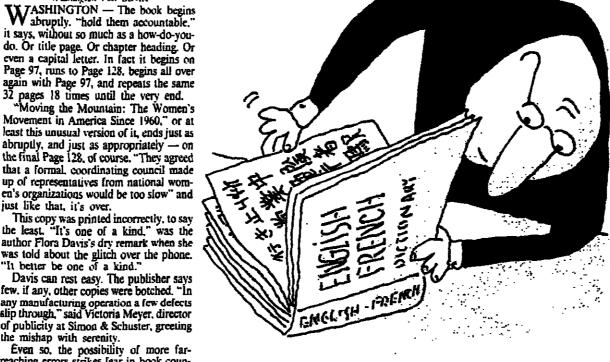
For fastidious book people, printing and binding calamities are the low-grade night-mares always waiting to happen. "When it happens, the book always lands in the author's hands, or in the author's father's hands, or in the author's personal book-store's hands," Coffin said.

This observation seems anecdotally correct, to judge by a random culling of horror

Calvin Trillin recalls being brought a copy of his then-new book, "Killings," to sign after a 1984 speaking engagement. As he turned to the half-title page (the one just before the full-title page) to apply the auto-graph, he was startled to find an alien presence, "The James Coco Diet." Every page in the book was Coco's, not Trillin's. Trillin gave it to his cousin, he said, inscribing it as "proof that you can't judge a book by its cover.

When I looked at the binding it was my book, not only the book jacket, but if you took the book jacket off and looked at the actual spine, the hardbound part, it said, 'Killings,' Trillin said. The two books didn't even have the same publisher, just the same printing company.

Last summer Little, Brown issued a new printing of a perennial children's favorite, 'Captain Kidd's Cat" by Robert Lawson,



You Can't Always Tell Books by Covers

only to discover after 1,500 books had been shipped that for the opening pages, the printer had substituted material from "Closer." by Dennis Cooper, a work of gay

erotica. Betsy Groban, Little, Brown's vice president and marketing director for children's books, wrote the bookstores and distributors to ask that the naughty versions of "Captain Kidd's Cat" be returned for errorfree replacements, "but to our great surprise only one came back," she said. The alert, Groban speculated, only served to tell everyone on the mailing list they were in possession of a rare literary curiosity.

Such glitches, like stamps whose images are printed upside down, are in the collector's-item category. Some others, alas, are not - the whole run of books is marred. Thomas Keneally, the Australian novel-

ist, was preparing for a New York reading four years ago when he asked his publisher — also, coincidentally, Simon & Schuster - to send him a copy of the U.S. edition of his new novel "The Playmaker," a version he hadn't yet seen.

It began, he found, with "a rogue pro-logue — three pages had been displaced from the middle of the book." The pages "don't mean anything," but there they are, in every copy of the U. S. edition, making his story begin not as he intended it but with the following sentence:

"First Ralph heard again how Harry had one evening in the settlement's first days
 discovered Duckling's possible absence from her tent across the stream."

"It refers to all the characters who haven't been introduced," he said. "I remember a reviewer in The New Yorker saying that writers should not set out to confuse people. . . If you begin with three pages of obfuscation you can hear people dropping off the back of the train." (One admirer of Keneally, the top editor at another publishing house, confessed that when she read the opening pages, "I was having a terrible time with it. But I naturally thought, like every insecure reader. I'm just stupid.")

Like others who've been through this, Keneally pronounced himself "philosophi-cal" about it now, but "suicidal" right after it happened.

He said Simon & Schuster apologized "as much as any writer could ever want a publisher to mea culpa themselves" with a etter in The New York Times Book Review. But "The Playmaker," having been in bookstores for some months with a narrative structure that was bizarre but at least plausible, could not be recalled for adjust-

possible. Lincoln Caplan, the Washington dous amount of business."

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writer, was pleased when the first copies of Warren Beatty's girlfriend Anhis latest book, "An Open Adoption," nette Bening, his co-star in came off the presses. But something was been birth to a girl, missing from the title page: the author Bening's publicist said. The baby name. Not an insignificant detail, especial was born at Cedars Sinai Hospital

Caplan's publisher, Farrar, Straus for Beatty, 54, and Bening, 33.

Giroux, responded instantly, halting ship for Beatty, 54, and Bening, 33.

ment of the books and dispatching them to a place where each title page was severed. ment of the books and dispatching them to a place where each title page was severed by hand. "Farrar, Straus & Giroux is will have been black organizations said by hand. "Farrar, Straus & Giroux is will have black organizations said his editor, Linda Healey. Great lengths take time, and in this case the mended book appeared in bookstores lone after the glowing reviews that had accompanied its publication, doubtless hurting them to book the said at a press conference that they its sales.

As for the rogue edition of Davis, "Moving the Mountain," Meyer says Samon & Schuster's manufacturing people that the says of speculated that there'd been an overrun o those particular "signatures." or sequence of pages that are assembled to make book. Possibly they'd been used in a test binding, which was mistakenly included in

the lots that left the printing plant.

David Dunn, whose Clinton, Massachi setts, company specializes in the kind of painstaking surgery performed on Copian's book must count the misfortune of publishers a blassic VIII. publishers a blessing. His company dom nates the small but apparently essentia book-repair niche.

Dunn said he has been characterize interestingly, as both an "undertaker" as a doctor. The publisher, he said, comes him with a frantic plea: "The baby is six and the baby might die and how can save the baby?" For a price, victory can about 50 cents a book, on average, he can be been about 50 cents a book, on average, he are the baby?" He repairs about 350,000 books a mont

"It saves them hundreds of thousands dollars," Dunn said of publishers. The goes for updatings too. A new medicaprocedure would make a 2,000-page metacal textbook obsolete, but Dunn can alto the books to bring them up-to-date. He workers also band-saw the hard cover from hardcover books and rebind them softcover editions. Books with new intig ductions or revisions based on late-break ing news often are also made, or remad

But it's with disasters that his custom nents.

are neediest. "On full moons and Fridate in some cases, 11th-hour doctoring is the 13ths," Dunn said, "we get a trems of the West-land." PEOPLE

Baby Girl Is the Newest Bening-Beatty Co-Star

"Now, I think it's a funny story. It en still supported a cultural boycott phasizes how chaotic, imprecise and unpredictable a business publishing is," said Carlot against apartheid.

AZAYO cultural secretary Steren plan. "At the time I thought it was a little pour displeasure," the concerts less funny." would be picketed and a pamphlet compaign launched. The Pan Afri-camst Congress also reiterated its opposition to Simon's tour, which opens Saturday in Johannesburg.

> President Lech Walesa of Poland gave_a new car to a nun_whose prowess at the wheel enabled him to keep several secret appointments during martial law. Sister Pauline, now mother superior of the Order of Our Lady of Charity, "showed great reflexes and daredevil skills" according to a statement from Walesa's office. "Despite being pursued by the secret police, she con-tinually looked after the leader of Solidarity, managed to shake off the tail, and deliver bim to his meeting place." The car is one of a new line of mini-Fiats made under license in Poland. It was given to Walesa's office in December when a new model was unveiled.

Despite an announcement by the Pakistan minister of sports and culture, Michael Jackson has not accepted an invitation to perform in Pakistan "This is definitely not true. We don't know where they heard this from," said Wayne Edwards of Lee Solters Co., Jackson's Los Angeles publicist.

Kitty Kelley, 49, whose best sellers have told tales of love, hate and infidelity among the rich and fam-ous, says she will wed Dr. Jonathan Zucker, a Maryland allergy and immunology specialist, in the spring. Both are divorced.



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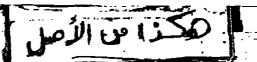
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